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## STORY OF THE EMDEN.

## HOW A CHINESE BROUGHT UP THE SYDNEY.

Some time ago a mercantile marine officer, who during the war was on naval service, related the following interesting episode in regard to the capture of the Emden. The famous German raider landed a company of men on the Cocos Island in the early hours of the morning when most of the men in the wireless station were asleep. The detachment of Germans were under orders to put the wireless apparatus out of action. Near the beach they came across a Chinese—one of the cooks at the station mess. Him they seized hold of and commanded him to lead them to the telegraph office. Unfortunately for the emissaries of the Fatherland the cook kept his wits about him, and unknown to his captors, managed to signal to one of his fellow-countrymen, who was also a station servant and who happened to be near, that he was to convey the news of the landing with all speed to his masters.

This man slipped away past haste to the operator's quarters and in the meantime the cook led his guards by a round-about-way through the bush to their destination.

Apprehended by the Chinese who had come direct, as to what was happening, the operators were able to send out a wireless that the Emden was in the offing, so that by the time the Germans had arrived on the scene the Sydney had picked up the message and was making at full speed towards the enemy.

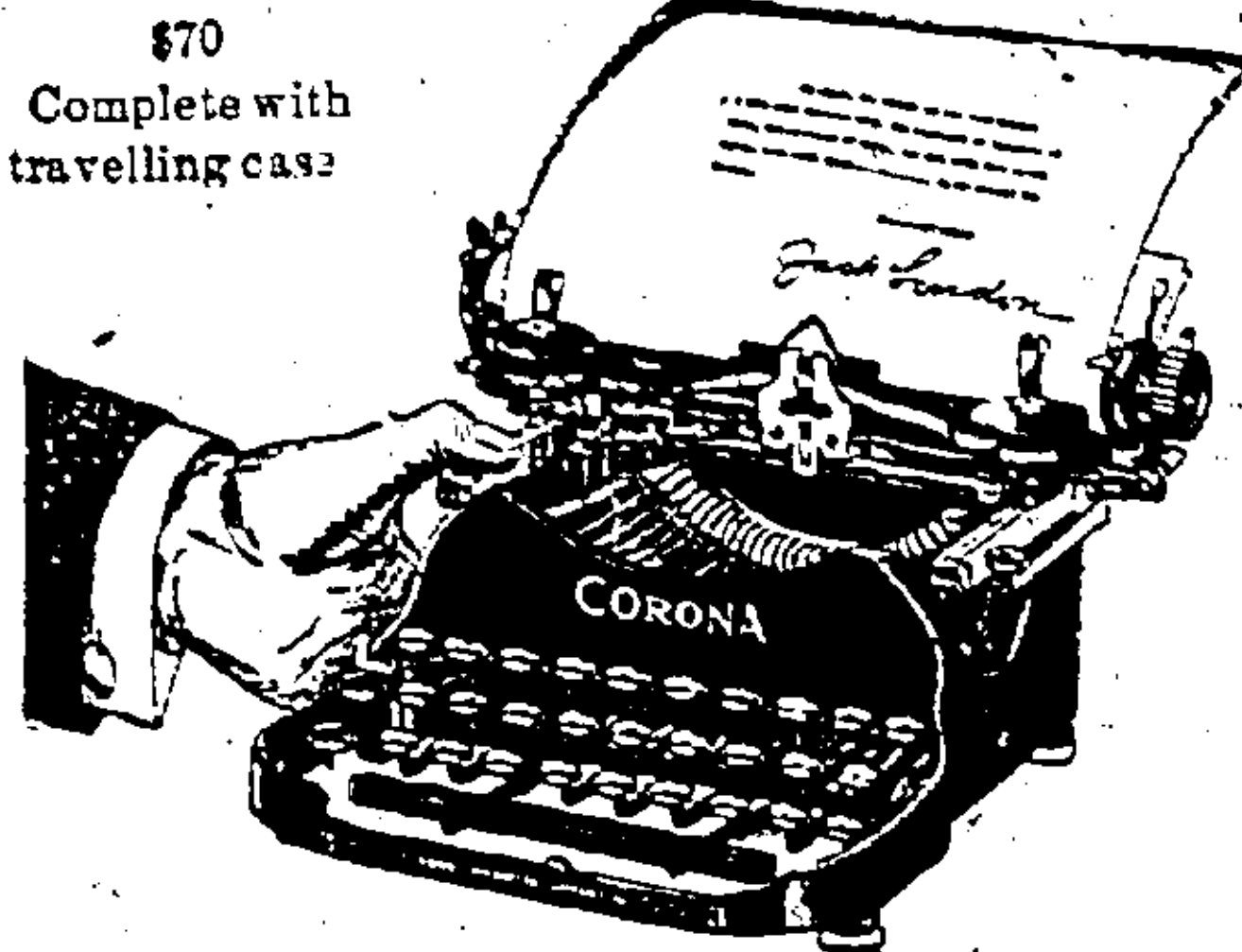
The Huns not knowing that their presence had already been betrayed arrived at the instrument room and soon demolished its contents, no doubt feeling they had done a good morning's work. Alas! their calculations were all upset through the presence of mind of a humble Chinese cook. The latter was not forgotten by the British authorities for he now lives a gentleman of ease and leisure in his native town.

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## GENERAL NEWS.

Our Parliament of the Metropolitan, when it had helped people and industries out into the fresh air, could plan London proper anew and restore some of its old-time charms and historical attractions. The highest and best traditions of the City of London could be rescued from the tendency to make it merely an office and banqueting hall for the money-men. The Ministry of Trade and Arts and Crafts could introduce local interest and colour into industry and life. And its Ministry of Local Government could be just a big brother to the local authorities within the area. In the battles against dirt, death and disease, and the problems of parish pump politics, for there would be local authorities within the area for the local administration of all those things which could possibly be decentralised. Labour has a healthy regard for the parish pump. The spirit of self-determination is abroad. We claim some of it for London.

**LINKING BY WIRELESS.**  
An American radio corporation is reported to have acquired the Marconi interests in the United States, with the support of the General Electric Company. The capital will be \$20,000,000. The new corporation purposes to link up all countries by wireless, and to compete with the various cable companies.

**BIG PRICES FOR BOOKS.**  
The German War-lords are receiving astonishing prices for their books. Hindenburg has sold the American rights in his book for four million marks at the present rate of exchange. Ludendorff is to receive two and a half millions for the British American and colonial rights, and another million for the German and other rights. Tirpitz is receiving 900,000 marks for his book, "The German Navy in the World War." The spirit of self-determination is abroad. We claim some of it for London.

## HOME RULE FOR LONDON.

## LABOUR'S DEVOLUTION PROPOSALS.

BY HERBERT MORRISON.

At the Sixth Annual Conference of the London Labour Party, recently held, London Labour declared for a scheme of Parliamentary devolution under which Greater London should have a Parliament and Home Rule for local affairs. The principle of a Greater London County Council and a limited measure of local autonomy has been agreed to by the older municipal parties in London.

Clearly, the present County area is utterly absurd, and bears no relation to the realities of modern London. Those who would be in possession of the facts should read the informative report of the Local Government Committee contained in the L.C.C. minutes of Oct. 21, 1919. The L.C.C. inherited its area, with very minor modifications, from the old Metropolitan Board of Works, whose territory was fixed in 1855. The area was perfectly reasonable for 1855, and would have been now, if London and Home Counties development had been "town planned" instead of being allowed to sprawl. The London of 1919, however, is a very different proposition to that of 1855, as is seen by the population statistics of the following "extra London" districts:

District.	1851.	1911.
Acton	2,532	97,497
Croydon	20,343	169,551
East Ham	1,737	133,487
Edmonton and Southgate	9,708	98,409
West Ham	18,817	282,030
Willesden	2,939	154,214
Wimbledon	2,693	54,966

Urgent need is being felt for a greater administrative unit in respect of housing and planning, electricity and transport. Because Parliament has made a hopeless mess of London government (caused by Londoners not making a fight for their self-governing rights), we are saddled or threatened with bureaucratic Boards for special services. How much control knowledge and interest have the people of London in respect of the Metropolitan Water Board, the Metropolitan Asylums Board, the Metropolitan Police, or the Port of London Authority? So little, that the London M.P.s (of the Labour party as well as others) on the Select Committee on Transport ought to be thoroughly ashamed of themselves for signing a Report which recommended London traffic control being handed over to a bureaucratic Board three out of five of whose members were to be appointed by the central Government.

All these Boards which lack the direct, healthy influence of an electorate are hole-and-corner and of doubtful efficiency; and London must not lag behind the great provincial cities in popular control of public services. One of my reasons for objecting to Soviets is that they are—with

## ROOSEVELT LETTERS.

## GERMAN AMBASSADOR AS A "LITTLE TIN SOLDIER."

A collection of intimate details of the life of ex-President Roosevelt makes up "Theodore Roosevelt's Letters to his Children" (a book published by John Murray.)

Some of the incidents described are distinctly quaint, and the book tells how on a wet day in 1903 the President yielded to juvenile persuasion and spent two hours juggling about in hay in an "old barn." "I hardly knew whether it was quite right for the President to be engaged in such wild romping," he says. In the same year "Speck" (German Ambassador Count Speth von Sternberg) rode with Edith and me looking more like Hans Christian Andersen's little tin soldier than ever. "He had come to present his papers, and 'appeared in what was really a very striking costume, that of a hussar. As soon as the ceremony was over I told him to put on civilised raiment, which he did."

Roosevelt rated true manliness of character higher than intellectual or physical prowess. He often writes deprecating the making of athletics one's sole aim in life. "I am overwhelmed with my work," he writes to Kermit. "I enjoy being President, and I like to do the work and have my hand on the lever. But it is very worrying and puzzling, and I have to make up my mind to accept every kind of attack and misrepresentation. It is a great comfort to me to read the life and letters of Abraham Lincoln."

In another letter Roosevelt says: "I have not a doubt that the British officers in the Boer War had their efficiency partly reduced, because they had sacrificed their legitimate duties to an inordinate and ridiculous love of sport."

In Chicago the Labour Union men "made what I regarded as a rather insolent demand upon me, and I gave them some perfectly straight talk about their duty and the preservation of law and order."

Roosevelt talks of and appreciates Dickens, but declares that the novelist was not a gentleman, while Thackeray was, Dickens, he declares, "was an ill-natured, selfish cad and boor."

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OF HELL & HEAVEN.**Ability to "heal by the power  
of God" is claimed by and for  
Pastor Jeffreys, whose revival  
services are the great topic of  
conversation in this countryside  
just now, writes a correspondent  
to the *Daily Chronicle*.I have just attended a service  
of testimony in an old public  
house now turned into a mission  
hall. I have listened to men and  
women and young people—little  
more than boys and girls—who  
have testified that through the  
power of God—in some, claimed  
to have been exercised through  
Mr. Jeffreys—they have been  
cured of physical ills.They rose one by one, gave de-  
tails of their sickness, and ended  
their recitals with paeons of  
thanksgiving and praise."Diolech Iddo" ("Thanks to  
Him") was a phrase ejaculated  
in tones of wonder by other mem-  
bers of the congregation, while  
individual testimony was being  
given."Mor anwy!" ("So dear")  
they chanted also, and "Halle-  
lujah," as the stories went on.  
Sitting on one of the benches  
was a pale pretty girl of 15. This  
was Blodwen Davies, once a  
messenger girl at the post office  
at Aberdare, who claims to have  
seen visions of heaven and of  
hell while Pastor Jeffreys was  
visiting the town.Before the service I asked  
Blodwen one or two questions  
about these visions. She  
answered readily enough that on  
the first occasion she had been  
listening to the preaching of Mr.  
Jeffreys."Suddenly," she told me, "I felt  
very sleepy. I put my head down  
on the seat in front of me. When  
I woke up I told my aunt, who  
was sitting next to me, that I had  
seen hell glowing in red flames,  
and that in the middle of the  
flames I had seen people I had  
known when they were alive,  
twisting and twining like  
serpents."Blodwen told me all this with  
a very serious look in her candid  
eyes. She answered questions  
and showed considerable descrip-  
tive power, but there was one  
question she refused to answer.  
I asked if she could supply me  
with the names of some of the  
people whom she recognised."No," said Blodwen, "when I  
had the vision I promised I  
would not tell anyone but Mr.  
Jeffreys—the names, but I can  
tell you that many of them were  
people who had given me tips  
when I took their telegrams to  
them from the post office."In a later vision Blodwen said  
she saw heaven, and was thentold that Mr. Jeffreys "would be  
the next one."I asked Mr. Jeffreys for his  
own version of a phenomenon  
said to have occurred in his own  
chapel at Llanelly a few days  
before the war broke out, which  
is, being much discussed here  
just now.Mr. Jeffreys assured me that  
as he was speaking from the  
pulpit a vision of Christ appeared  
behind him. "The presentation,"  
said Mr. Jeffreys, "remained for  
six hours, and was seen by  
hundreds of people. It was  
almost like a photograph appear-  
ing on the wall behind me."In response to an invitation  
the evangelist gave me details of  
cures which he claims to have  
effected. These include the cur-  
ing of young girl of a paralysed  
arm, an aged man suffering from  
an internal disease, an epileptic,  
and a child who was wasting  
away.The father of this last-men-  
tioned little girl was with his  
wife, one of the congregation  
which was "testifying" in the  
one-time public-house. She was  
brought out from the meeting  
where the singing was by this  
time reaching the high water  
mark of fervour that precedes  
the most inspiring testimony."My little girl is named Mar-  
garet Irwen Griffith," he told me.  
"She is about three years old,  
and has been ailing since she was  
born. There was death in her  
face, and she went about like an  
old woman. I have believed in  
the power of God for healing on  
Apostolic lines for many years.  
We took the child to Mr. Jeffreys,  
who anointed her, and she be-  
came better before our eyes. She  
is now playing about, as happy  
and merry as a child could be."Inside the mission hall the  
mother of the child was telling  
how she had been brought to  
share her husband's faith of  
years by witnessing the healing  
of her child.As the mother finished, the con-  
gregation, nearly all workers or  
the relatives of workers in the  
mines that surround Aberdare,  
burst into one of the songs which  
fan the fires of enthusiasm in  
these gatherings:—When love shines in,  
When love shines in,  
All my heart is filled with  
singingWhen love shines in.  
This is one of the songs set to a  
melodious and rhythmic tune  
which they sing with all the verve  
and spirit of an intensely musical  
people.While they sing, the pastor,  
who so obviously sways these  
people by the exercise of some  
mental power, whatever it may  
be, beats time with his hands,  
smiles ecstatically, joins in here  
and there with a few melodious  
notes, and keeps the musical  
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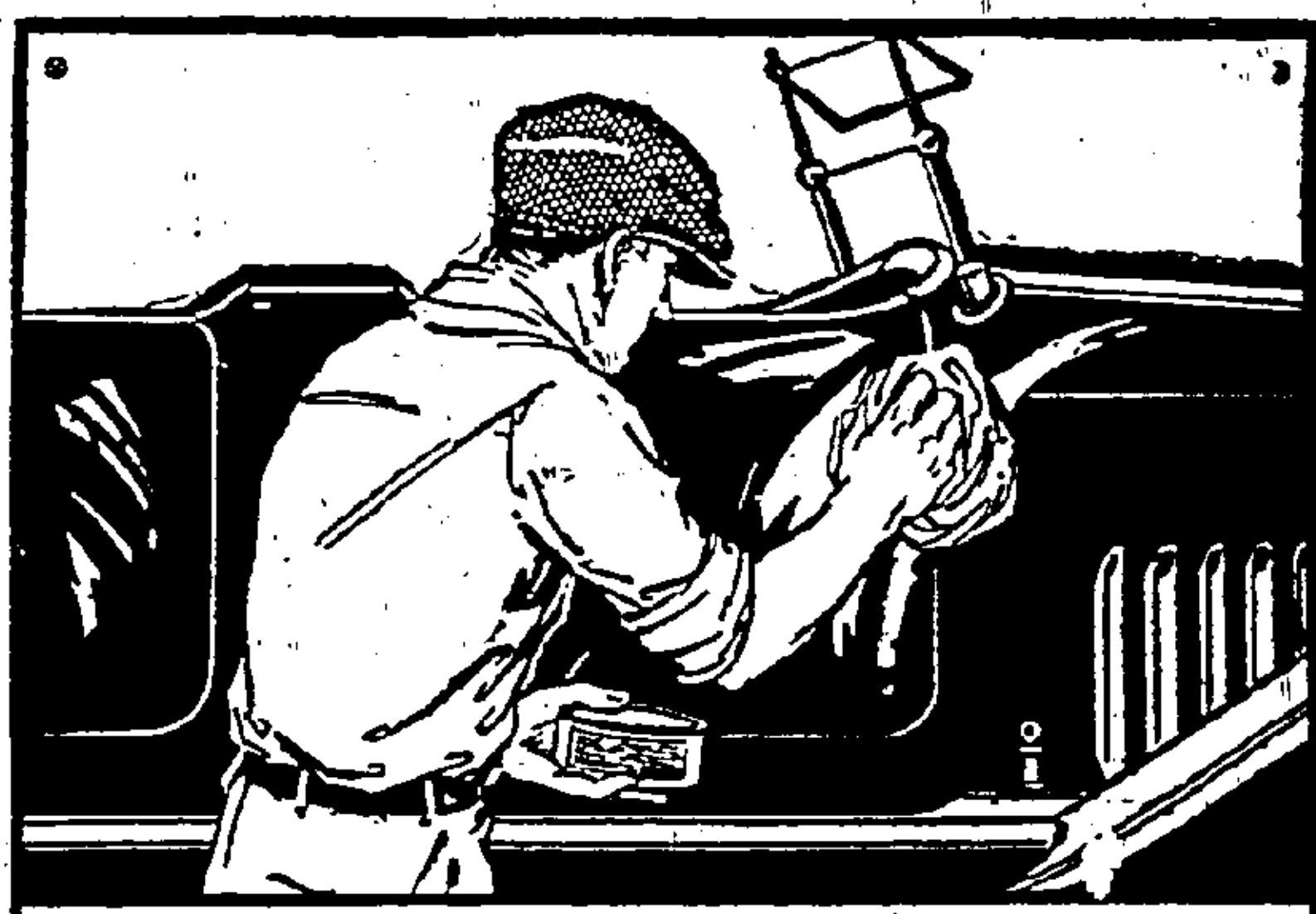
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Royal Society of Arts, speaking  
at its 166th session on "Science  
and Industry," reviewed the his-  
tory of the past 100 years and  
compared the achievements of  
science in the earlier period with  
those recently recorded. It was  
not by State-guided organisation  
that our grandfathers and great-  
grandfathers made England the  
workshop and emporium of  
the world, but our manufac-  
turers hesitated to pay enough  
to secure the services  
of highly-trained experts,  
and were too reluctant to adopt  
new methods and to abandon old  
plant, to risk capital in costly  
researches which might prove  
unsuccessful. From that we had  
had a rude awakening.But while we were insisting on  
the necessity of proper use of all  
the benefits we had derived from  
scientific progress, had we not  
perhaps devoted ourselves too  
ardently to an idolatry of  
science. The apostles of every  
new religion had dangled  
before the eyes of their  
disciples promises of a millennium  
more or less immediate. Hum-  
anity had revolted, and every  
creed in turn had marked its  
progress by persecution and in-  
tolerance. Great as were the  
benefits which Christianity had  
conferred on mankind, it had, in  
the course of its triumphant pro-  
gress, been the direct cause of  
infinite human misery and suffer-  
ing. So had the progress of  
science during the past five years  
succeeded in off-setting the  
benefits it had conferred on  
mankind during the past century  
by becoming the instrument of  
more concentrated human agony  
than the world had ever known  
since history began.To take this point of view was  
not to attack science or to decry  
religion, but only to follow the  
advice of the father of all modern  
philosophy to be moderate, and to  
distrust and condemn the folly of  
extreme views.**KISSING BETWEEN  
COMMUNICANTS.****STORY OF A HIGHLAND  
CUSTOM.**The Stornoway divorce case  
which raised questions as to the  
practice of kissing among com-  
municants of the Church in the  
Highlands has been disposed of  
by Lord Sands in the Courts of  
Session. The petition was that  
of Alexander Matheson, a fisher-  
man of Portnaguran, Stornoway,  
against his wife Isabella, the co-  
respondent being William Camp-  
bell, merchant, of Portnaguran.Lord Sands granted a decree of  
divorce, with costs against the  
co-respondent, and £40 damages.  
The judge said it was proved that  
during the petitioner's absence on  
naval service the co-respondent  
visited the respondent late at  
night. He also kissed her both  
when alone and in the presence  
of her children.There was evidence of a  
practice of kissing between  
Church communicants, although,  
added his Lordship whimsically,  
the salutation seemed to pass be-  
tween persons of opposite sexes.His Lordship traced the exist-  
ence of this "somewhat startling  
custom" to the fact that formerly  
a mere handful of Church adher-  
ents in the Highlands partici-  
pated in the Communion, although,  
he said, the Communion season  
there was a far more solemn  
occasion than in the Lowlands.  
The tradition came down from  
Roman Catholic times. For-  
merly the celebrants were mostly  
elderly people but now many  
younger persons were becoming  
communicants, and that caused  
an awkward complication as  
regarded the kissing practice. It  
might be all very well for elderly  
saints to greet one another with  
a chaste Oriental religious salute,  
but it was a different matter  
when it came to young married  
women being promiscuously kissed  
by casual male acquaintances  
who happened to be fellow com-  
municants.While the kissing indulged in  
by the parties in the case before  
the Court had not the conclusive  
character of undue familiarity, it  
could not be regarded altogether  
as without significance. The co-  
respondent did more than kiss.  
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spondent, for which his Lordship  
could find no justification in  
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## The Hongkong Telegraph

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## WHY NOT RENT CONTROL?

The debate on the housing question at yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council was illuminating in some respects, and it was satisfactory in so far as the result of it is that various contemplated schemes are to be considered by the Public Works Committee with a view to expediting matters. The Hon. Mr. Pollock has taken up a fine cause by pleading that this question, which concerns all of us, shall receive actual attention as distinct from being merely talked about. The only regret is that we are still at the talking stage, and it seems to be that we shall be for some considerable time to come. Like most other people, we have been wondering for some time past what had become of the proposals foreshadowed in July last by the Hon. Mr. Severn whereby the Government were to have built flats, etc., for Europeans. The money for that scheme was to have come out of the proceeds of the shipping requisitions, and things had so far advanced at the time mentioned that the Secretary of State had authorised the use of a portion of the funds in this way. Now, however, a hitch has occurred, for the owners of the vessels object to the appropriation of the money in the manner proposed, and there is to be a lawsuit on the subject. That being the case, we had better not say anything more on that point, except to observe that the public is greatly disappointed that such a circumstance, with its inevitable delay, should occur.

To many, the most interesting aspect of the debate was that in which His Excellency the Governor referred to the questions of house shortage and high rentals. We can quite agree with His Excellency that more houses are needed. The more houses there are, the cheaper rents are likely to become. But, seeing that it will be a very long time yet before projected schemes are sufficiently advanced to have any appreciable effect on the situation, what about the meantime? Are householders to be subjected to the ever-increasing demands of the landlords without any hope of relief until these new houses spring into being? We do not know whether His Excellency is aware of the fact, but we can assure him that never before has there been so strong a feeling as at present prevails over this question of rising house rents. The people in Kowloon scarcely talk of anything else, and there are quite a few who declare that they will pay no more increases and, what is more, will not quit the property which they rent. To tell these tenants to wait for more houses is so much idle chatter.

His Excellency the Governor says that any scheme for limiting rents will tend to check the development of building. We agree, if an attempt were made to fix rentals at an absurdly low standard. But not otherwise. If the standard set allowed a reasonably fair return on money, there would be no question of building being stopped. The whole trouble now is that altogether unreasonable rates are charged by the landlords. The strange thing is that whilst His Excellency seemed to infer that rent control was utterly impossible, the Colonial Secretary actually mentioned a case in which the Government is exercising such control. We refer to the advance made made to the Humphreys' Estate Company by the Government for the erection of new flats, there being a stipulation laid down that the rents to be charged must not exceed eight per cent. on the capital expenditure so long as the money is owing to the Government. That shows that rents can be controlled, doesn't it? Frankly, we cannot see that there is anything extraordinarily difficult about evolving a scheme of rent control. The Government at present fixes the rateable value of houses. Surely it would be possible to work from that basis, after making due allowance for depreciation. It is a favourite argument with some property-owning companies that they do not pay more than seven or eight per cent. in dividends, and therefore they cannot be profiteering. But that is not the point. It is not a question of what return a company makes to its shareholders. That may very well be influenced by the good or bad management, as the case may be. What would be far more to the point would be to know what actual returns landlords get from tenants on a given block of property. Conceivably, the tenants may be paying abnormally high rents just to feather the nests of the landlords, whilst the poor shareholder wonders where the money is going. It is a thousand pities that the whole housing question from A to Z was not long ago considered by a Commission, which would have been able to get at the facts as to why building is so expensive here. But the most pressing need now is that the Government should institute a measure of rent control so as to protect the public from being mercilessly squeezed by property-owners.

## NOTES &amp; COMMENTS.

## SPEAK UP, PLEASE!

Yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council, the first held in the New Year, proved to be one of considerable importance and interest. The matters discussed—those of housing and the removal of the military establishments—were sufficiently important to merit a considerable amount of comment, and in our leader to-day and in this column we have ventured to call attention to one or two aspects of those questions. But there is another matter that arises out of the Council meeting that we should like to refer to. The work of reporting Council meetings is, to say the least always a little arduous. Reporters on evening newspapers have to rise to a concentrated effort that is a great way removed from the mechanical reproduction of things heard. There is needed the assimilation of the ideas behind the spoken word and a ready condensation of the speeches, so that the main points can be contained in something approaching a precis. Within something well under three hours from the closing of yesterday's meeting we gave to the public over six columns of what had transpired—an operation that involved not only the writing of the report, but the setting of it into type and the printing. We do not want to boast about that, because newspapers do similar things the wide world over. But what we do want to emphasise is that those who are privileged to make speeches in the Council, or anywhere else for that matter, should have a little regard for the men whose duty it is to make those speeches public. An average competent reporter only asks for audibility—if he can hear, he can do what is expected of him. When he cannot hear, when he is denied opportunity of grasping the idea the speaker is trying to express, his work is not only made more difficult, but there is cast upon him a responsibility he should never be asked to bear. It is not his fault if the speaker's idea is warped because some important passage was inaudible; yet how prone are public men to blame the reporter in every case where incomplete ideas are conveyed to the public who must inevitably be left to learn of many things by proxy. At yesterday's meeting there were several occasions on which it was only possible to catch disjointed phrases and there was a tendency for remarks to be made in a low conversational tone. And it was a pity that His Excellency the Governor, whose remarks should be studiedly clear, was the most difficult to hear. We believe the condensed report we gave was accurate, but if it was not we lay the blame on other shoulders than those of our staff. On behalf of reporters generally, on behalf of the general public, and in the interests of speakers themselves, may we appeal for a little more thought in this regard? If there isn't something will happen one day that will be serious, and the blame will not be ours.

## AN UNPRODUCTIVE MONOPOLY.

With regard to the proposal that a Committee be formed to consider and report upon the removal to a more distant spot of the military establishments of the Colony, none will deny that a very great deal of valuable land in the centre of the City is now being put to non-productive use. Not only is a long stretch of Queen's Road—the Colony's central thoroughfare—wastefully monopolised, but a big area of land behind it, stretching up to Kennedy Road and beyond, and the best portions of Kowloon, are denied use by the civilian population. The congestion prevailing in other parts of the City is in great and unfavourable contrast to the prodigal emptiness of the majority of the military land, and whilst the present military authorities can in no wise be blamed for this state of affairs, there is contained in what one sees to-day a censure on the foresight of those responsible for the apportioning of the land in the Colony's early days. Room for development is very urgently needed, and the day has come when the question of providing other quarters for the military, and also, one might add, for the Naval Yard, should be boldly tackled. Unquestionably, there is a very heavy expenditure of public money involved, but the benefits that would accrue would be well worth the expense. On the method that would be best to adopt there is a difference of opinion. Mr. Pollock thinks the ap-

## DAY BY DAY.

"ENTHUSIASM IS THE HEIGHT OF MAN; IT IS THE PASSING FROM THE HUMAN TO THE DIVINE."—Emerson.

The health return for yesterday shows one fatal case each of enteric fever and cerebro-spinal meningitis. Both were Chinese.

The directors of the Hongkong Tramway Co., Ltd., recommend a final dividend of 1s. 3d. per share. A sum of £7,116 0s. 3d. is carried forward.

The annual exhibition of paintings by the pupils of the Ellis Kadoorie School took place at noon to-day at the School. Hon. Mr. Claud Severn was the judge.

For the theft of two packets of cigarettes which belonged to a sailor named F. W. Bond, on board the Alacrity, a Chinese was to-day sentenced at the Police Court to seven days' hard labour.

Owing to the continued indisposition of Mr. Justice Gompertz (Puisne Judge), the weekly Summary List was taken this morning by the Chief Justice (Sir William Rees Davies, K.C.).

Mr. Harold Dollar, of the shipping firm of Robert Dollar, has arrived in the Colony from Shanghai, accompanied by his wife. They are staying at the Hongkong Hotel.

An attempt to smuggle two rifles and a store of ammunition into the Colony from the Wahsun failed through the vigilance of the Police. Sergt. Shannon to-day effected the haul, though no arrests could be made.

Mr. Robertson, Asst. Superintendent of Cargo, of the Kowloon Godowns, charged a Chinese coolie at the Police Court this morning with the theft of a quantity of brown sugar. Sergt. Aris stated that the sugar, which came from some baskets in the godowns, was discovered tied round the man's waist when he was searched at the gates. A sentence of 14 days' hard labour was passed.

To-morrow's Pictorial Supplement will contain groups of the Leith-Gordon, Lovegrove-Freeman and James-Mitchell wedding; a picture of the Hongkong Telegraph cup, to be presented to the winner of the Marathon Race; and a portrait of Lord Dunsany, together with two scenes from his plays which are to be staged by the students of the Hongkong University Union at the Theatre Royal shortly.

## CRICKET.

The following have been selected to play for the K.C.C. against the C.R.C. at Kowloon to-morrow, play starting at 2.15 p.m.—J. F. Robinson, J. Stalker, J. V. Bragg, W. T. Elson, J. C. Fletcher, A. O. Brown, D. M. Goodall, A. W. Ramsay, W. L. Weaver, K. R. Masakill, A. de Sousa.

## GOLF.

THE GOVERNOR'S SHIELD. The final game in this competition will be played at Fanling on Sunday the 1st February at 1.15 p.m.

The finalists are Messrs S.H. Dodwell and A. Ritchie, handicap 3, versus Messrs R.L. Moncrieff and R. Bruce (Hongkong Bank), handicap 19.

pointment of a Committee would hasten matters most whereas the Government is of opinion that a request for permission to hold joint civil and military investigation would result in a more tangible step. Seeing that Mr. Pollock's proposal contained one impossible particular, we can express no surprise or regret that it was rejected, but we most sincerely hope that the Government will make representations to the Home authorities concerned, pointing out the desirability of an early move. There is always a danger that when such a matter is referred Home, a studied procrastination ensues, and on this question, that is the last thing wanted. It is this that Mr. Pollock apparently fears. One way of backing up the demand would be for the Chamber of Commerce to memorialise the Government—if it has not already done so,—such memorial being remitted Home together with Mr. Pollock's defeated motion. It was assuring to learn that the local Government is in sympathy with the principle of the proposal, and that an effort is to be made to set something in action. The whole of the commercial community will be wishing the Government success.

## RICE CONTROL.

## HONGKONG GOVERNMENT REPORT.

## SOME INTERESTING DISCLOSURES.

The following Preliminary Report on the purchase and sale of rice by the Government of Hongkong during the year 1919, was laid before the Legislative Council yesterday:

From the beginning of last year it was realised that owing to the extensive purchases of rice that were being made to meet an abnormal situation in the Straits Settlements and Ceylon, the Hongkong rice market was sure to be affected. At the end of the year 1918 the Government received an intimation from the Secretary of State that, owing to the exports from India having been restricted, the Colonies mentioned were endeavouring to obtain rice from Siam, and the Secretary of State was informed on the 4th January that the Government of Hongkong had never contemplated official purchases of Siamese rice, but could not prevent local merchants from placing orders in Siam if the state of the market there was favourable. On the 13th Jan. information was received from the Government of Ceylon that arrangements had been made for the supply of rice to Ceylon which would not necessitate buying in Siam or French Indo-China.

Early in February, Japan began to buy rice in large quantities in the Hongkong market, while at the same time the Government of Indo-China fixed the amount of rice for export as follows:—

February-March...120,000 tons;  
April.....60,000 tons;  
May.....60,000 tons.

On the 28th May the Secretary of State enquired whether the Government of Hongkong was negotiating for the purchase of rice from Siam, and on the 5th June he suggested that in order to avoid competitive buying in Siam the Government should prohibit importation of rice from Siam on private account as had been done in Ceylon and the Straits Settlements. In reply, the Secretary of State was informed that Hongkong was an entrepot for a very large rice trade with all parts of the world, local firms buying as agents for all countries and buyers in foreign countries transshipping in Hongkong. It was pointed out that if an embargo were to be placed on the importation of rice it would seem probable that the result would be to divert trade round the Colony without achieving the object in view, and that the result to the large rice trade in the Colony would be most serious. That arrangements had been made to have sufficient rice for three months' local consumption always in the Colony, estimated at about 27,000 tons. That careful watch was being kept on exports, the endeavour being to prevent the export of abnormal amounts to ordinary destinations and to limit the exports to countries which did not normally draw on Hongkong to the lowest limits. In these circumstances the opinion was expressed that it would be very inadvisable to impose restrictions on importation. The Secretary of State replied on the 11th June that the matter of dealing with the rice situation was left to the discretion of the Officer Administering the Government.

Before proceeding further, it will be convenient to explain in some detail the paramount importance of the rice trade to the Colony of Hongkong. Rice is much the largest commodity dealt with in the trade returns and a large number of ships is employed in bringing it to the Colony and in carrying it away after it has been dealt with. The handling of the cargoes both at the ships and on shore gives employment to a large portion of the floating population as well as to a large number of the coolie class. The companies and individuals who own godowns also derive great benefit from the storage of the rice while in course of preparation for export. For the year 1918 the value of the rice imported was no less than £12,904,321, while the exports for the same period were valued at £11,608,509.

As has been often pointed out, the Colony of Hongkong is in the unique position among the great ports of the Empire of producing practically no raw materials, but on the other hand of possessing in its geographical situation and in

its splendid harbour unrivalled opportunities for dealing with an immense transshipment trade. It is in fact in the nature of a great wharf and godown where every class of goods can be handled expeditiously provided the machinery for doing so is kept at the highest pitch of efficiency and without any unnecessary restrictions regarding smooth working. Nothing could be more fatal to local trade than for an impression to be created in the great markets of the world that the Hongkong authorities might place obstacles in the way of the quick despatch of cargoes, or interfere with contracts connected therewith.

With regard to the rice trade, a step in the right direction was taken not long ago by the standardising of rice by the Exporters and Dealers Association of Hongkong in accordance with the repeated requests of the California Rice Association. Prior to the adoption of this measure no limit was placed upon the amount of broken grains mixed with good whole rice, with the result that serious complaints came from American buyers. It is expected that the action taken by the Exporters and Dealers Association will have the effect of restoring confidence among buyers in America and elsewhere, whereby this valuable trade will be retained in Hongkong.

The bulk of the imported rice comes from Saigon and Bangkok, and is usually packed in single gunny bags of about 160 catties weight (313 lbs.), and with the exception of some shipments to Japan, is never re-exported from Hongkong in the original bags. The principal grade of rice exported is known as "Siam usual," and is ordinarily made from a mixture of Siam rice and Saigon long rice in equal parts. Before mixing, the rice is screened so as to bring the amount of broken grains down to the standard. In the case of brown rice, especially when the season is advanced, it is the custom to winnow the rice before packing as it generally contains a quantity of dust and husks. The American market takes rice in 100 pounds double gunny bags and sometimes in double bags of 240 pounds. The Cuban market also takes the latter packing, but shipments intended for South America are usually packed in double bags of 193 pounds gross weight. It is this work of standardising and repacking, which makes the trade of such importance and gives employment to the large number of persons referred to in paragraph 4.

There is only one crop a year in Siam and Indo-China, the Siam crop being available in December and January and the Saigon crop about a month or so later. Rice is, however, exported from Hongkong all the year round according to demand. Japan has been recently the largest customer, the United States of America coming next. Until a short time ago shipments for the Cuban market went to the Pacific ports of the United States, and were transhipped thence to their destination; but latterly Cuban buyers appear to have preferred to make direct shipments.

It will be clear from the account given in the foregoing paragraphs that the situation presented considerable difficulties, and the receipt of a telegram on the 14th June from H.M. Charge d'Affaires at Bangkok to the effect that the Government of Siam had prohibited the export of rice from Siam as from the 12th July except under licence did not tend to improve matters. The price of both Siam and Saigon rice continued to rise, the former to \$15 to picul and the latter, to \$13 a picul, the poorer grades being rather less. To show how sensitive the feeling was in other countries it may be mentioned that on the 26th June a telegram was received from H.M. Minister at Tokyo stating that the Japanese Minister at Bangkok reported that transshipment of rice at Hongkong was to be prohibited shortly and enquiring whether the report was correct. An assurance was given immediately that it was not intended to prohibit transshipment of rice at Hongkong. At the same time, acting on the report above quoted, a Japanese firm was about to make arrangement to divert two ships loading in Saigon so that they would proceed to Japan direct without calling at Hongkong. This was averted.

It was obvious that with a view to controlling the price and preserving the trade immediate action was necessary, and after some discussion it was decided to call a meeting of the principal employers of labour to consider the whole question. After two meetings it was decided that the only feasible course was

for the Government to purchase rice and subject to the approval of the Councils, this situation was accepted by the Government. A telegram was sent to the British Consul at Saigon on the 1st July enquiring whether it would be possible for the Government of Hongkong to buy Annam rice from the 1st August up to a maximum of five thousand tons a month, for six months, for the purpose of local consumption, and on the 4th July the Consul suggested that the best course would be for the Government to approach the Food Controller at Singapore with a view to buying 27,500 tons of rice which he was willing to resell, the price being about \$13 a picul (Saigon currency), i.e., the market price at the time being considerably higher. This suggestion was adopted, and on the 11th July a telegram was received from the Colonial Secretary, Straits Settlements, stating that the Food Controller could sell 27,500 tons Saigon rice July allotment for October delivery at \$13.30 Saigon dollars ex mill, and requesting the Government, if it wished for this rice, to remit to the British Consul at Saigon \$1,500,000 Saigon dollars for the necessary advances.

The Officer Administering the Government thereupon summoned a meeting of the unofficial members of the Executive and Legislative Councils on the 15th July at which the Colonial Secretary and Mr. R. O. Hutchison were present, when it was decided to purchase the 27,500 tons of rice offered by the Food Controller, Singapore.

It was realised that the Government would have to face a considerable loss of money in giving effect to the decision to purchase rice, and it at once became apparent that the loss would be increased owing to the high rate of discount on the Hongkong dollar at Saigon. The discount at first was 23½ per cent., but on subsequent purchases was somewhat lower. The Treasurer arranged with the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation for the financing of the purchases in Saigon, and the Government is much indebted to that institution for the valuable assistance rendered in this matter and for the moderate rate of four per cent. interest that has been charged on the overdraft. On the 25th July a telegram was received from the Colonial Secretary, Straits Settlements, to the effect that owing to an error the Food Controller had offered 27,500 tons whereas 13,750 tons only were available, the balance having been sold to the Netherlands Indies. As no further supplies could be got from Saigon except at a prohibitive price it became necessary to make purchases locally, and this was done to the extent of about 10,000 tons principally of broken rice to mix with the Saigon rice on arrival.

Mr. R. O. Hutchison was put in charge of the general control of the rice position and five of the leading Chinese rice merchants were invited to act on a Committee to arrange the purchase and price of rice for local consumption. Sufficient godown space was rented and everything was in order to begin sales on the 1st August.

Unfortunately at the end of July typhoon weather prevailed and it was impossible to convey rice across the harbour to Yau-mati. The result was that a portion of the population started looting rice shops and a riot took place outside the Yau-mati Police Station. The Naval authorities lent the tug Cherub and the Military authorities the tug Omphale on the 28th July, which made it possible to send some rice to Yau-mati and Hung-hom. With the exception of some looting no other disturbances occurred. The rice was guarded by Military escorts for two days while being conveyed from the tugs to the shops. In Victoria looting on a rather serious scale took place for about a week, and it became necessary to start the Government sales of rice before the organisation was completed.

It will be convenient to deal now with other measures taken to obtain supplies of rice. The July crop in the New Territories was a good one, and, in order to ensure that the rice did not go into Kuangtung, all export except to Hongkong was prohibited, and it was notified that the Government would be prepared to buy rice at \$10.14 a picul. It has been the custom for the New Territories to export their rice and buy cheaper rice in Hongkong for their own use. In the abnormal conditions prevailing this year this practice had to be abandoned.

An endeavour was made to obtain rice from Kuangtung, and

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after much correspondence the Government at Canton permitted the export of 10,000 piculs of Wuhu rice by the Kuangtung Food Relief Association to the Tung Wah Hospital at Hongkong at a price of \$6.70 a picul. The Tung Wah Directors showed great energy in erecting a number of matsheds in Victoria, Shaikwan and Aberdeen where many thousands of very poor people were supplied free of cost with a mixture of boiled rice and salt, known as congee, twice a day. This system of relief continued for several weeks and was most useful in preventing a great deal of distress.

An attempt was also made to get rice from the Hunan Province of China via Shanghai. H.M. Minister at Peking and the Consul at Changsha did all they could and the Government was favourable to the project, but owing to the stipulations of the Governor of Hunan the price demanded was prohibitive so that the offers made had to be refused.

The Indian Government sanctioned the export of 3,500 tons of rice from Rangoon and this rice has recently arrived in the Colony. Through the generosity of the firm of Messrs. Nemaize & Co., about two-thirds of this rice is being carried free of freight to Hongkong.

Appendix II. shows the total amount of rice purchased by the Government up to the 30th September, the only further purchase being necessary in November in order to comply with the terms of a contract for the sale of rice on consignment to America. This will be dealt with at a later stage of the report.

The rice purchased was divided into three classes under the designations Hongkong No. 1 No. 2, and No. 3, and the recommendation of the Committee to fix the price of the three grades at 20, 16, and 20½ cents a catty respectively was adopted. These prices were altered a few days later to suit the usage of Chinese buyers to 5 catties = \$1, 7 catties = \$1, and 9 catties = \$1, and before the end of August the price was further reduced to 5½ catties = \$1, 7½ catties = \$1, and 10 catties = \$1. No. 1 rice was Saigon round or long, No. 2 a mixture of Saigon round or long with an equal amount of broken rice, and No. 3 a mixture of one-fifth Saigon round or long with four-fifths broken rice.

Sales of Government rice took place up to the 3rd September as follows:—

No. 1	2,853 piculs
No. 2	8,838 "
No. 3	56,124 "

About the 3rd September sales suddenly ceased and it was found that rice had begun to come into the Colony from Kuangtung. An excellent quality of rice was thus available for consumption in the Colony at the comparatively low price of \$8 a picul.

In view, however, of the appearance of this rice on the market, the question immediately arose as to what was to be done with the rice imported by the Government and bought locally. Some of the latter already showed signs of deterioration and it was decided to sell the rice bought in the New Territories at \$8 a picul and to make enquiries as to the best markets in which to sell all the remainder with the exception of a few thousand tons. Japan had ceased to buy any rice in Hongkong and the Straits Settlements did not require any. The sterling value of the dollar had continued rising so that the price to be obtained in countries with a gold standard was becoming less when reckoned in dollars. Eventually arrangements were made to sell 10,000 tons on consignment to America and about the same amount locally. A careful examination of the rice stored in the godowns in Victoria showed that much of it was discoloured and full of weevils, but notwithstanding this prices were obtained which were quite good considering the state of the market. In fact the sales were made just in time to avert very serious losses indeed owing to the rice becoming practically unsaleable.

On the 19th September an Ordinance was passed providing for the acquisition and disposal of Rice by the Hongkong Government, and for validating acts previously done.

The lists of rice purchased showed certain quantities of Saigon round and Saigon long rice, and on these lists the contract mentioned above for the sale of 10,000 tons to America was calculated. It specified 6,500 tons of Saigon round and 3,500

tons of Saigon long, but when the rice came to be sifted to prepare it for export it was found that only 500 tons of the long rice existed, the remainder being round. As the rice had already been sold in America the consignees there refused to alter the amounts of each class contracted for and it was necessary to go into the market and buy 3,000 tons of long rice to make up the necessary amount. This was effected at a price of about \$13.50 a picul, which meant a loss on the net price obtained in America of about \$1.75 a picul. The 3,000 tons of discarded round rice were subsequently sold at about the same price as would have been obtained in America.

A report was called for as to how the confusion between long and round rice had arisen. It appeared that originally the books were made out to show the different qualities of rice, long, round, and broken, and any other other grades used on the foreign market, but as this classification was unnecessary for local sales no distinction was subsequently made between long and round rice as the price was the same, and the books were drawn up accordingly. The error caused a loss of nearly \$140,000 on a purely technical point of difference in making the contract with the American buyers.

The cost to the Colony of the transactions in rice up to the end of the year 1919 will be well over \$2,500,000. The price of the rice bought at Saigon was much enhanced by the high rate of discount on the Hongkong dollar at Saigon. The cost of 13,750 tons in Saigon currency was \$3,072,300, the equivalent in Hongkong currency being \$3,766,211, a difference of \$693,911. When negotiations were begun for selling rice to America the rate of exchange was about eighty gold dollars for one hundred Hongkong dollars, and when the exchange was fixed it had risen to ninety-five gold dollars for one hundred Hongkong dollars. The rice was sold at 20½ cents a catty, a short ton for 10,000 catty and the difference in the amount to be received at exchange of 80 and 95 is \$494,605, the figures being as follows:—

10,000 tons at G. \$205 a ton	\$2,050,000
at Exchange of 80 = \$2,562,500	
at Exchange of 95 = 2,147,895	
	\$404,605

Freight to America also rose from G \$25 during the same period. The balance of the total loss incurred on the purchase and sale of rice is made up of actual reduction in the price at which local sale had to be made of rice bought locally, rent of godowns, freight on rice from Saigon and Rangoon, commissions on sale of Government rice, interest on overdraft, and insurance. All these charges will be shown in the final account.

It will be clear from the above that whatever sum in dollars representing the loss is eventually arrived at will scarcely indicate the real facts. The Colony has been receiving during the past four months a supply of excellent rice from Kuangtung at a low price, but it is more than probable that if the Government rice had not been here a considerably higher price would have been demanded. The indirect advantage to the Colony of the policy of non-interference with the ordinary rice trade cannot be reckoned in dollars but the gain is so manifest that the policy requires no justification.

When it became clear that there was no other course open than to sell the bulk of the rice which had been purchased with the least possible delay, the Government sought the advice of those connected with the rice trade, who were in a position to help. Mr. Barretto of the firm of J. M. da Rocha and Co., Messrs. E. A. Beaumont and Co., Messrs. Loxley and Co., and the Hongkong Mercantile Company all gave valuable assistance without which it would have been very difficult to effect satisfactory sales. In the work during August of mixing and selling the graded rice Mr. R. O. Hutchison, Mr. Taylor of the Opium Monopoly, and the Chinese gentlemen on the Committee rendered very good service, while from the middle of September until the end of November Commander C. W. Beckwith, R.N., who is acting as Superintendent of Imports and Exports, and Mr. A. K. Taylor of the Police Force, temporarily attached to the Department, worked strenuously to avert the danger which threatened the safety of the stocks of rice.

The situation dealt with in this report is happily without precedent in the history of the Colony, and this is not surprising. Only events of a most unusual character could produce such a

## CATHOLIC FATHER.

## THREATENED BY PIRATES.

The January number of the *Religiao e Patria*, under the heading "Sensational Case," says that the Rev. Father Henriques, Superior of the Shui Hing Mission, whilst on a visit to the Catholics of Po Pin, was threatened by pirates, who demanded \$2,000 within five days. He went immediately to see the Mandarin, at Sun Hein, who, being a Catholic himself, gave him all the assistance in his power and recommended the missionary to stay with him at Sun Hein, but as the rev. gentleman has to go every day to Po Pin to instruct the Catholics and prepare those who have to receive baptism, the Mandarin supplied soldiers to accompany him to Po Pin every morning and back, as it is dangerous to remain there at night.

With such protection assured the pirates could not get the \$2,000 and were unable to do any harm to the missionary.

## SIBERIAN REFUGEES

For the collection for the above, thanks are given, for gifts of clothing and boots, to the following:—Miss Judah, 2nd contribution; Mr. F. A. Mackintosh, 2nd contribution; Mr. H. C. Sandford, Miss Goggin, Mrs. Ross Thomson, Mrs. A. H. Harris, Amoy. The \$300.00 mentioned last week was spent on:—Sewing cotton; needles, pins, thimbles; women's and children's combinations; children's bonnets, gloves and socks; scarves; men's socks.

Thanks are due to Messrs. Lane, Crawford, the Central Agency, Messrs. Loxley and Co., and Messrs. Wing On, for enabling the money to go so far. Messrs. Loxley are thanked for sending packing cases.

Parcels and donations, marked with the name and address of sender, and "Siberian Refugees," can be sent to:—Mrs. N. J. Stabb, St. John's Place, Garden Road; Mrs. Moorhead, 159, The Peak; Mrs. L. Dunbar, 7, Queen's Gardens, and also to Helena May Institute.

## HONGKONG DEFENCE CORPS.

Orders for Cadet Company by Lieut. A. O. Bradshaw:—Parade.—All Sections, Band and Instructors, at Headquarters on Monday, February 2nd, at 5.15 p.m.

NOTICE.  
Sergeant's Mess.—A meeting of the members of the late Hongkong Defence Corps Sergeants' Mess will be held in the Mess at 5.30 p.m. on Friday, 6th February. All those who wish to attend are invited to do so.

crisis. First, a world shortage of cereals combined with a partial failure of the rice crop in Siam, one of the principal producing areas; secondly, an abnormal trade situation in Indo-China leading to such a rise in exchange rates as to make the price of rice in the currency of the Colony almost prohibitive; thirdly, the increase in the sterling value of silver during the critical period from about 48 pence to 75 pence an ounce; and lastly, the unexpected arrival in the Colony of abundant supplies of good and cheap rice from a source supposed to be closed, which rendered the large supplies of rice bought under adverse conditions useless for the immediate purpose for which they were intended.

Though the transactions of less than five months have resulted in a large drain on the financial resources of the Colony, these transactions may be considered as covering a period of probably a year more. The difficulties attending the provision of proper supplies of rice for the Colony at a moderate price are by no means surmounted, so far as can be seen, but the valuable experience gained by what occurred last year, will enable proper precautions to be taken, with it is to be hoped, little extra loss, to meet any possible crisis during the current year. The Colony has become accustomed to a regular supply of rice at a price far lower than it can be obtained for, unless steps are taken early and in the right quarter to ensure that it will be available when required.

Total Rice Purchased to 30th September, 1919:—  
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## BILLIARDS.

## EXHIBITION GAME.

An exhibition game will take place at the Palace Hotel, Kowloon, on Monday night 2nd Feb., between Mr. E. D. Golding, the winner of the silver cup in the recent Handicap at the above Hotel, and Mr. W. Pitt, ex-champion of the Colony, who for eight years held the championship. Mr. Golding, it will be remembered, in the last Palace Hotel tournament final compiled a beautiful break of 105 and throughout played a splendid game. Mr. Pitt is shortly proceeding on leave and the management has obtained the sanction of these clever players to give an exhibition game of 500 up prior to Mr. Pitt's departure. Most Hongkong residents know Mr. Pitt's abilities with the cue, and some interesting billiards should be seen at the meeting of these two gentlemen. Mr. Pitt still has his old friends and supporters, yet many enthusiasts believe that Golding will win. The game will commence at 8.30 p.m. Entrance is free.

## PARSONS AND PUBLICANS.

Parsons and publicans lunched together at Croydon Central Baths, recently and took part in a conference under the auspices of the Strength of Britain movement. The Mayor of Croydon presided. Mr. "Pussyfoot" Johnson was expected to attend, but his doctor that day insisted that he must not yet carry out any public engagements because of danger of too much excitement. He has booked himself for the meeting at the Central Hall, Westminster, on Jan. 17. In the absence of England of reliable facts relating to Prohibition in America and the difficulties of meeting false statements appearing in our Press.

## MARATHON RACE.

The entries to-date in the above Race, which is to be run for the *Hongkong Telegraph* Cup on Saturday, February 21st, at 3 p.m., number no less than 128. This number includes five British officers. The following analysis of the entries is given by the Race Sub-Committee:—H.M.S. Hawkins, 24; H.M.S. Carlisle, 1; H.M.S. Alacrity, 1; H.M. Submarines, 6; R.G.A., 1; Wilks. Regt., 44; H.K.S.B.R.G.A., 17; 74th Punjabis, 17; 2/22nd Punjabis, 6; Hongkong Police, 1; Civilian, 7. Messrs. H. Ruttonjee and Son have presented the "Peter Dawson" Cup as second prize.

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SOMALI	6,700	8th Feb.	Marseilles & L'don direct.
NAGOYA	7,000	12th Feb.	Marseilles & L'don direct.
DILWARA	5,600	15th Feb.	S'pore, C'bo & Bombay.

## BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS (South)

MADRAS	7,000	31 Jan. noon	Calcutta via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
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## EASTERN &amp; AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

* ST. ALBANS	4,000	4th Feb.	Sandakan, Thursday Is.
EASTERN	4,000	26th Feb.	Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney & Melbourne.

## SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI &amp; JAPAN.

ITOLA	5,357	4th Feb.	Kobe.
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Empress of Asia	June 3	June 21
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FUSHIMI MARU ... Wednesday, 17th Mar. at 11 a.m.

KATORI MARU ... Tuesday, 13th Apr. at 11 a.m.

LONDON &amp; ANTWERP via Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Suez

Port Said &amp; Marseilles.

KAMO MARU ... Friday, 6th Feb., at noon.

IYO MARU ... Friday, 20th Feb., at noon.

HAMBURG, LONDON &amp; ANTWERP via Singapore, Colombo, Suez

and Port Said.

TOYAMA MARU ... Wednesday, 4th Feb.

LIVERPOOL &amp; MARSEILLES via Singapore, Colombo, Suez

and Port Said.

MELBOURNE &amp; SYDNEY via Manila, Zamboanga, Thursday

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AKI MARU ... Wednesday, 18th Feb., at 11 a.m.

TANGO MARU ... Wednesday, 24th Mar., at 11 a.m.

NEW YORK &amp; HAVANA via Kobe, Yokohama, Muroran, San

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TOTTORI MARU ... End of February.

SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS via Cape.

HAKATA MARU ... End of February.

BOMBAY &amp; COLOMBO via Singapore.

TENSIN MARU ... Wednesday, 4th February.

CALCUTTA &amp; RANGOON via Singapore &amp; Penang.

CEYLON MARU ... Middle of February.

JAPAN PORTS—Nagasaki, Kobe &amp; Yokohama.

TANGO MARU ... Saturday, 21st Feb., at 11 a.m.

SHANGHAI, KOBE &amp; YOKOHAMA.

TAMA MARU (Kobe only) Friday, 30th Jan.

SHIMPO MARU ... Wednesday, 4th Feb.

SHIDZUKA MARU ... Thursday, 5th Feb., at 11 a.m.

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## SHIPPING NEWS.

NOTHING GERMAN.  
Grimsby dock labourers refused to work the cargo of the first German vessel to enter the port since the Armistice. The submarine campaign touched Grimsby too nearly to be easily forgotten.

THE OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LD.  
A handsome new building is in course of erection for the Ocean Steamship Co. Ltd. (Blue Funnel Line) at Singapore. The plans provide for several sets of offices, a cafe restaurant on the top floor, a roof garden, and tower.

APPRECIATION RECORDED.  
With the object of placing on record their appreciation of the services of the Merchant Service during the war, the Town Council of Gravesend has recently placed the following inscription in the Town Hall:—1914. The Borough gives its thanks to the Merchant Seamen, 1919.

## GOVERNOR OF FAULKLAND ISLANDS.

Sir George Young, the Governor of the Falkland Islands, landed in Liverpool recently from the Pacific liner Kenuta. Although she is a cargo boat, and he could have been transferred to a passenger one, he preferred to remain in what he called his "floating home."

## U.S. SHIPBUILDING.

Sir M. B. Hunter, chairman of Swan, Hunter, and Wigham Richardson, Wallsend, who has recently visited American shipyards, states that Americans can build ships much faster than we can and when their yards get settled down it will take us all our time to hold our own. American workmen work hard, and to hold our own we must do as much. Americans told him their best workmen were from British shipyards.

## BRITISH INDIAN STEAM NAVIGATION CO.

The report of the British India Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., presented at the 71st general meeting, held recently, showed a balance available for distribution, after providing for depreciation, of £172,051 19s. This the directors proposed to allocate as follows:—Dividend of 5 per cent. on preference stock, £35,000; dividend 8 per cent. (free income tax) on shares, £76,575; special bonus of 4 per cent. (free of income tax) on shares, £38,288, carrying forward to next year a balance of £22,187 19s.

## NEW LEYLAND LINER.

There has been launched from the yard of the Irvine Shipbuilding Company of West Hartlepool, the steel-screw steamship Bolivian for the Leyland Line, of Liverpool. She is intended for the company's general U.S.A. Gulf trade, and her principal dimensions are:—Length, over all, 412.9ft.; between perpendiculars, 400ft.; beam, moulded 52ft.; depth, 31ft. She has two continuous decks, and her gross tonnage is 5,289, and net tonnage 3,256 tons. She will have a draft of 23.2 1/2 and a speed of 12 knots loaded. Her carrying capacity will be equivalent to 15,000 bales of cotton.

## CANADIAN SHIPBUILDING.

Of 37 cargo steamers ordered last year from 13 Canadian shipyards by the Government, for operation in connection with the national railway system, 18 are now in commission and four more will be commissioned by the end of the year. These shipyards represent an investment of 47 million dollars, are paying wages to the amount of 42 million dollars yearly, and are employing 20,000 men; while the auxiliary industries, such as boilermaking for engines and so forth, pay out an equal amount in wages and employ an equal number of employees. In view of these facts, the Government is being urged to encourage the shipbuilding industry. The Government steamers are now en route for England, via Panama, with cargoes of lumber, for the British Government, and another has just cleared from Vancouver for Australia with a cargo of paper.

## HE HOPED NOT.

A Malaya resident relates the following personal incident of a trip from India to Penang. He had obtained a bottle of whisky, and it was on the table in front of him when the passengers sat down to their first meal after leaving port. A missionary lady was seated next to the man with the bottle, which was eyed by her little son, who asked his mother what it contained. The lady answered "My son, there is something in that bottle which I hope you'll never touch." And the man from Malaya broke in: "I hope not. That bottle has to last me till I get to Penang."

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SHANGHAI	Hopsang	Tues., 3rd Feb. at d'light.
HAIPHONG via Hoihow	Loksang	Tues., 3rd Feb. at 8 a.m.
KOBE	Chaksang	Wed., 4th Feb. at 5 p.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Fooksang	Thurs., 5th Feb. at 3 p.m.
SANDAKAN	Hinsang	Tues., 24th Feb. at noon.

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AMOY & SHANGHAI	Shuntien	3rd Feb. at d'light.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	Liangchow	3rd Feb. at 9 a.m.
SHANGHAI	Sinkiang	5th Feb. at noon.
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"MITSUKI MARU" ..... Saturday, 31st Jan.  
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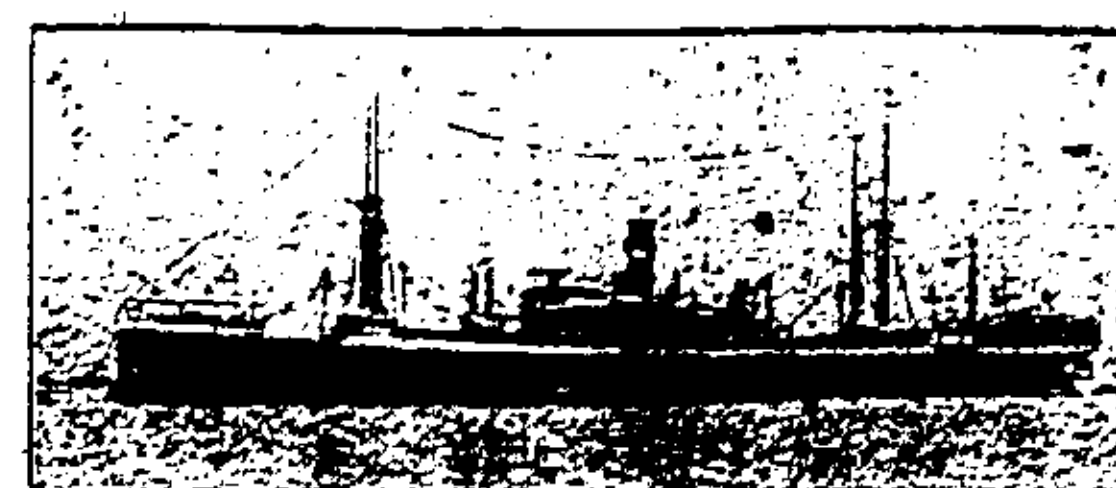
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The N. Y. K. s.s. SHIMO M.

(Calcutta Line) left Calcutta for

this port via Rangoon and Singa-

pore, on the 9th Jan., and is

expected here on the 30th Jan.

The N. Y. K. s.s. TOTOMI M.

(Bombay Line) left Bombay for

this port direct on the 16th Jan.,

and is expected here on the 4th

Feb.

The N. Y. K. s.s. SHIMO M.

(Bombay Line) left Bombay for

this port direct on the 18th Jan.,

and is expected here on the Feb. 6.

The R. M. S. EMPRESS OF

RUSSIA left Vancouver for

Hongkong, via Japan ports,

Shanghai and Manila, on the

22nd Jan., and is due here on or

about the 16th February.

The Ben Line s.s. BEN-

LOMOND from Middlesbrough

London left Singapore for this

port on 27th instant and may be

expected to arrive here on or

about 4th February.

The N. Y. K. s.s. SHIMO M.

(Calcutta Line) left Singapore

for this port on the 23rd Jan. and

is expected here on the 4th Feb.

The P. & O. s.s. ITOLA left

Singapore for this Port on the

24th instant at 5 p.m. and is due

here on the 5th February.

The R. M. S. EMPRESS OF

RUSSIA from Hongkong on the

25th Dec., arrived at Vancouver

on the 15th January.

The N. Y. K. s.s. KAGA M.

(European Line) left London

for this port via Suez Canal on

the 10th Jan., and is expected

here on the 18th Feb.

The N. Y. K. s.s. TAMA M.

(Bombay Line) left Singapore for

this port on the 19th Jan., and is

expected here on the 30th Jan.

The P. & O. s.s. DILWARA

left Singapore for this Port on

the 28th instant at noon, and is

due here on the 3rd Feb., at about

8 a.m.

The China Mail S.S. Co.'s s.s.

NILE arrived at San Francisco

on January 20th, 1920.

## VESSELS LOADING.

EUROPE, U.S.A., ETC.

Siberia M.	T. K. K.	Jan. 30
Mitsuki M.	O. S. K.	Jan. 31
Grace D.	R. D. Co.	Jan. 31
Africa	D. & Co.	Jan. 31
Lake Faulk	P. M. Co.	Jan. 31
Unnan M.	O. S. K.	Feb. 1
Persia M.	T. K. K.	Feb. 3
Van Waerwyck	J. C. J. L.	Feb. 2
St. Andrew	D. & Co.	Feb. 4
Iconium	A. L.	Feb. 4
Toyama M.	N. Y. K.	Feb. 4
Suwa M.	N. Y. K.	Feb. 4
St. Alban	P. & O.	Feb. 4
St. Francis	B. L.	Feb. 5
Stanley D.	R. D. Co.	Feb. 6
Kamo M.	N. Y. K.	Feb. 6
Bessie Dollar	R. D. Co.	Feb. 6
Changsha	B. & S.	Feb. 7
Somali	P. & O.	Feb. 8
West Jena	S. & D.	Feb. 9
Suveric	B. L.	Feb. 10
Matoppo	B. L.	Feb. 10
Eastern	P. & O.	Feb. 11
West Harts	R. D. Co.	Feb. 14
Moorish Prince	S. T. Co.	Feb. 15
Crosskeys	A. L.	Feb. 15
Atlas M.	O. S. K.	Feb. 15
Ariosto	B. L.	Feb. 15
Dilwara	P. & O.	Feb. 16
West Isou	S. & D.	Feb. 16
Ceylon M.	N. Y. K.	Feb. 18
Aki M.	N. Y. K.	Feb. 18
Iro M.	N. Y. K.	Feb. 20
Tango M.	N. Y. K.	Feb. 21
Kashima M.	N. Y. K.	Feb. 22
Korea M.	T. K. K.	Feb. 23
Westland	A. L.	Feb. 24
Africa M.	O. S. K.	Feb. 25
Venezuela	P. M. Co.	Feb. 25
Lake Fielding	P. M. Co.	Feb. 25
Hakata M.	N. Y. K.	Feb. 25
Colorado Springs	S. & D.	Feb. 25
Canada M.	O. S. K.	Feb. 25
Hathaway	S. & D.	Feb. 25
West Isis	S. & D.	Feb. 25
Tottori M.	N. Y. K.	Feb. 25
Tajima M.	N. Y. K.	Feb. 25
Nile	C. M. Co.	Mar. 2
Melville	D. R. Co.	Mar. 8
Tenyo M.	T. K. K.	Mar. 11
E. of Russia	C. P. O. S.	Mar. 11
Western Cross	A. L.	Mar. 11
Endicott	A. L.	Mar. 16
Fushimi M.	N. Y. K.	Mar. 17

## JAPAN, COAST PORTS, ETC.

Itoha	P. & O.	Jan. 30
Haihong	D. L. Co.	Jan. 30
Wingsang	J. M. Co.	Jan. 30
Tama M.	N. Y. K.	Jan. 30
Yuensang	J. M. Co.	Jan. 31
Siam	O. S. K.	Jan. 31
Madras	P. & O.	Jan. 31
Hanyang	B. & S.	Jan. 31
Yingchow	J. M. Co.	Feb. 1
Amakusa M.	O. S. K.	Feb. 1
Shuntien	B. & S.	Feb. 3
Liangchow	B. & S.	Feb. 3
Loksang	J. M. Co.	Feb. 3
Hopsang	J. M. Co.	Feb. 3
Chakang	J. M. Co.	Feb. 4
Dilwara	P. & O.	Feb. 4
Shimo M.	N. Y. K.	Feb. 4
Tenshin M.	N. Y. K.	Feb. 4
Haiching	D. & Co.	Feb. 4
Shidzuoka M.	N. Y. K.	Feb. 5
Tajima M.	N. Y. K.	Feb. 5
Sinkiang	B. & S.	Feb. 5
Focksang	J. M. Co.	Feb. 5
Quinnebaug	D. L. Co.	Feb. 6
Taming	B. & S.	Feb. 10
Tjiluwong	J. C. J. L.	Feb. 12
Tjisondari	J. C. J. L.	Feb. 12
Tjikini	J. C. J. L.	Feb. 13
Unnan M.	O. S. K.	Feb. 18
Hinsang	J. M. Co.	Feb. 24
Banri M.	D. & Co.	Feb. 28

## THE HONGK



## PRIZE DAY.

## AT SAIYINGPUN SCHOOL.

The annual prize-distribution in connection with the Saiyungpun School took place at 11 a.m. today, when Mr. E. Ralphs, Inspector of Schools, gave away the awards to the successful pupils.

The Headmaster, Mr. Morris, read the report made by the Director of Education on the School for the past year.

## ANNUAL REPORT.

The report of the Director of Education stated—

The maximum enrolment was 370 and the average attendance 334, as against 352 in 1918. As a result of the further application of the rule reducing the maximum number of pupils in a Class from 40 to 30, the average attendance is slightly lower than last year. The School has been full throughout the year and the popularity of this establishment among the Chinese is shown by the fact that in one month no less than 115 applicants had to be refused admission. Not only has the School been full, but the pupils have attended regularly; no less than 49 boys have made every possible attendance during the year. The discipline and general tone of the School are excellent throughout, and the work done is highly satisfactory. Handwriting deserves special praise; in a Competition open to Schools throughout the Empire three pupils of this School gained "Distinction" while the standard of handwriting in the whole School is very much above the average.

English Conversation is also very successfully taught, the pupils having the advantage of receiving their first lessons in English in the lowest Classes from Mrs. Morris.

During the past year four boys who proceeded from this School to Queen's College passed the Matriculation Examination of the Hongkong University.

The School is used by the University in connection with the course of the training of teachers, education students being sent there to carry out their practical training.

The social and athletic life of the School has been well maintained. Football and volleyball continue to flourish.

Swimming is popular, and most of the pupils are able to swim well. The School held its annual aquatic sports on Empire Day. In the Inter-Schools Athletic Sports, the School held its own.

The Library, the English Speaking Association, the members of which pledge themselves to speak only English during certain hours, the Chess Club and the Chinese Band, continue to flourish; the last mentioned is, I understand, much appreciated by the residents in the immediate neighbourhood of the School. A Company of the St. John Ambulance Brigade, composed entirely of old Pupils of this School, maintained by the generosity of Mr. Ho Kom-tong and under the command of Mr. Morris, does very useful work and was last year awarded the "Lau Chu Pak Duty Cup," as having presented the best record of actual duty during the year.

## PRIZES.

Space does not permit of our publishing the full list of prize-winners, but from it we take the following—

Scholarships to Queen's College (Government Free Scholars)—Chan Man Chan, full; Chan Yee Chuen, full; Chung Wai Chuen, full; Li Wung Kwong, full; Chan Chi Fat, half.

Alan Morris Memorial Scholarship. (To Queen's College—tenable for 3 years).—Lo Fung Fan, Ralphs Scholarship.—Kwan Sheung Chi (From Class 6 to Class 5).

Ho Kom Tong Scholarship (From Class 5 to 4).—Ng Hung Kui, Mok Kon Sang Scholarship.—Ip Pak Ling (From Class 7 to Class 6).

Mok Kon Sang Scholarship.—Cheng King Fuk (From Class 8 to Class 7).

Winner of the "Stevens" Chess Cup.—Chan Man Chan.

DONORS OF SPECIAL PRIZES. The donors of special prizes are—Sir Robert Ho Tung, Hon. Mr. Lau Chu Pak, Hon. Mr. Ho Fook, Mr. Choa Po Sien, Mr. Wong

Kam Fuk, Mr. Lo Shun Wan, Dr. Ma Luk Shan, Dr. Ma Chiu Ki, Dr. Cheung Wing Tai, Messrs. Lo Chung Kui, Ho Leung, Ho Kwong, Ho Lu, Ho Cheuk, Lo Cheung Shiu, Choy Hing, Yeung Chung Kan, Ying Wah Book Shop and Mr. Li Ping.

Mr. Ralphs said:—You have heard the report on the School, so there is little for me to say with regard to the work done during the year. I can only repeat that it is highly satisfactory in every way, and reflects the greatest credit on Mr. and Mrs. Morris and all members of the staff. You will notice in the report that emphasis is laid on what I have termed the social and athletic life of the school. We are making every effort to develop this in all our schools, believing that in so doing we are helping to educate the pupil in the full sense of the word, to teach him discipline and self-control, and to prepare him to continue his education after he leaves school, where after all we can do little more than teach him how to learn. I consider it is a matter on which all the schools in the Colony can congratulate themselves, that there has been no evidence of any tendency on the part of our pupils to identify themselves actively with political affairs. Patriotism is one of the greatest virtues, and the man or the boy who does not love his country is not worthy of belonging to it. It is well for all to take an intelligent interest in what is going on around us, but students must remember that they are in the position of learners, both as regards their books and in the management of affairs. They can best help their country by confining themselves to their studies, and leaving questions of government to those of riper experience. The student may not always agree with what is done by his elders, but he must at least admit that the older and more experienced man is as a rule likely to be in the right, and that he himself, through inexperience, may have taken the wrong view.—It is possible, you know, for even the youngest of us to make mistakes sometimes. But as I have said, while students in many parts are acting unwisely and in a way that would have filled your great teacher Confucius with dismay Hongkong has happily been free and I trust you and all other Hongkong students will continue to show that you have profited by the education you receive in this Colony, you will remember that the master said "a man should take care never to interfere with matters that do not concern him." One other matter I have now to refer to, and it springs from the same topic—patriotism. Alan Morris, a Hongkong boy, educated in a Hongkong School, the only son of your respected Head Master, Mr. Morris, and Mrs. Morris, joined the British Army as soon as he was old enough, during the Great War, and after a career brief but full of brilliant promise, was killed in Palestine—he gave his life for his country. I have been asked to announce to-day that various friends of this School have decided to found a Scholarship to be called the Alan Morris Memorial Scholarship. The Scholarship will be awarded annually to the Dux of the School, entitling him to attend the Upper School at Queen's College for three years, and so give him the opportunity to pass the Matriculation Examination and qualify for entrance to the University. To Mr. and Mrs. Morris the life and gallant death of their only son remains as a sad but proud memory; may I express the hope that each holder of this Scholarship will not fail to remember why it was founded, and from it learn the lesson of service to his country.

Mr. Ho Kom Tong translated Mr. Ralphs' speech into Chinese for the benefit of those pupils who could not understand English well. Before the assembly dispersed he called for three hearty cheers for the Headmaster and Mr. Morris, who are going home on leave next week. They hoped he would have a *bon voyage* and a very enjoyable holiday.

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## NOTICE

MARINE ENGINEER'S GUILD OF CHINA HONGKONG BRANCH.

Members are urgently requested to attend a Meeting to discuss special business.

at the Guild Office, 10 Des Voeux Road, C. O. On Saturday, 31st inst. at 2 p.m. W. J. S. OKES, Branch Secretary.

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## NOTICE

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Transfer Books of the above named Company will be closed from Friday the 6th day of February 1920 to Monday the 16th day of February 1920 both days inclusive.

Dated this 29th day of January, 1920.

By Order of the Board, GIBB LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

Shareholders are reminded that a Second Extraordinary General Meeting of the above named Company (Notice of which was duly given on the 13th day of January, 1920) will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, St. George's Building, Victoria, Hongkong, on Monday the 16th day of February, 1920, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of considering and if thought fit confirming as Special Resolutions the resolutions set out underneath which were duly passed as Extraordinary Resolutions at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 28th day of January, 1920, viz:—

"That the Capital of the Company be increased to Three million dollars (\$3,000,000) by the creation of two hundred and forty thousand (240,000) shares of ten dollars (\$10.00) each, ranking for dividend and in all other respects pari passu with the existing shares in the Company."

"That the New Articles already approved by this Meeting and for the purpose of identification thereof, subscribed by the Chairman, be and the same are hereby approved, and that such Articles be and they are hereby adopted as the Articles of the Company to the exclusion of and in substitution for all the existing Articles thereof."

And the subjoined Resolution will be proposed as an Extraordinary Resolution:—

"That it is desirable to capitalize the sum of \$600,000.00 standing to the credit of the Company's Reserve Fund, and accordingly that for the purpose of effecting such capitalization a bonus of \$10.00 per share on each of the issued shares of the Company be and the same is hereby declared and that the Board be and they are hereby authorized to satisfy such bonus by the distribution amongst the persons who are registered as holders of the issued \$10.00 shares of the Company on the date hereof, of one of the unused \$10.00 shares of the Company credited as fully paid up, in respect of each share of the Company held by such persons as aforesaid and in satisfaction of such aforesaid bonus, and that such shares rank for dividends and in all other respects as from the first day of March, 1920."

Drafts of the New Articles of Association may be seen at any time before the second meeting, except Saturdays and Sundays between the hours of 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. at the Registered Office of the Company, or at the Offices of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes & Master, Prince's Buildings, Hongkong, the Company's Solicitors.

Dated this 29th day of January, 1920.

By Order of the Board, GIBB LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

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on Saturday .. 14th ..

on Wednesday .. 18th ..

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General Booking opens at Moutries on February 2nd at 9 a.m.

Advance .. .. January 30th ..

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.

AND

CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

Consignees per Company's Steamer

"ELPENOR"

are hereby notified that the Cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, where it will lie at Consignee's risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Godown on and after 30th January.

Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 5th Feb. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 19th February, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 29th January, 1920.

## NOTICE.

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

The Commission organizing The First Aerial Derby Around The World consisting of—

Commodore Louis D. Beaumont (President)

Major Charles J. Glidden, U.S.A. F.R.G.S. (Executive Secretary)

Mr. Benjamin Hillman (Treasurer)

will address the Members of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce in the OLD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ROOM, CITY HALL, on TUESDAY 3rd FEBRUARY, 1920 at 5 p.m.

All Returned airmen are cordially invited to attend.

By Order,

E. A. M. WILLIAMS, Secretary.

Hongkong, 28th January, 1920.

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## NOTICE.

THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY FIRST ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES VICTORIA BUILDING on Thursday 5th February 1920 at 12 o'clock noon for the purpose of receiving the REPORT of DIRECTORS together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1919.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from Wednesday 28th January to Thursday 5th February 1920 (both days inclusive), during which period no TRANSFER of SHARES can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE

Secretary to the

Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd.

General Agents for the

Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, 21st January, 1920.

## NOTICE.

The Annual Open Billiard Championship of the Colony, held under the auspices of the Victoria Recreation Club.

Entries close on 31st January and are to be accompanied by entrance fee of \$2.

The number of points to be played and other arrangements will be decided at a meeting of the Competitors.

The competition is open to all in the Colony.

R. H. B. MITCHELL,

Hon. Secretary.

Victoria Recreation Club.

## NOTICE.

UNION WATERBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Fifteenth Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Limited on Monday the 9th February 1920 at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a statement of accounts to 31st December 1919.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 2nd to 9th February 1920 both dates inclusive.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.

General Managers,

Hongkong, 27th January, 1920.

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BUY NOW  
and  
SAVE MONEY

Commence TO-DAY and WHILE they last.

In announcing this annual sale we take the opportunity of advising our patrons that we have taken over the next door premises in order to enlarge our business. In consequence of these alterations we are clearing a large portion of our present stock at bargain prices, to make room for new goods.

MONEY SAVED  
is  
MONEY GAINED

## Gent's Wear Dept.

GENT'S WOOLLEN COATS

made of fine tweed

### BARGAIN

1st lot.....3.50 each  
2nd lot.....3.00 ..  
3rd lot.....2.50 ..

## Gent's Underwear

"Mayo" Heavy Ribbed Shirts

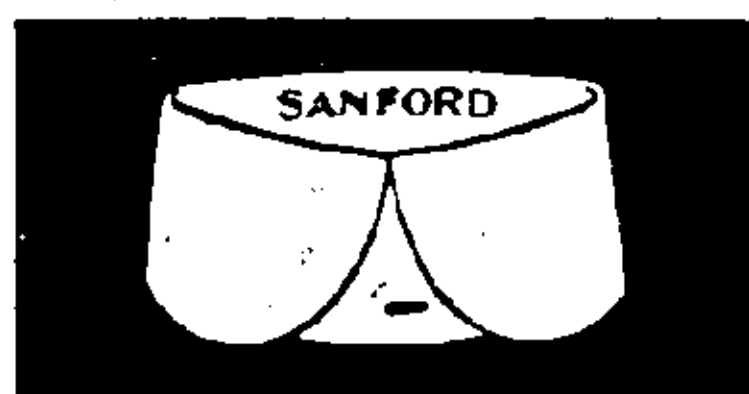
Usual \$2.25 Sale \$1.85 each.

Winter Warmth Combinations

Sale \$1.00, 2.00 &amp; 2.50 a suit.

"Wolsey" Pure Wool Underwear

Strictly 10% discount.



**Idle**  
**COLLARS**  
\$3.25  
a doz.

## NECKTIES

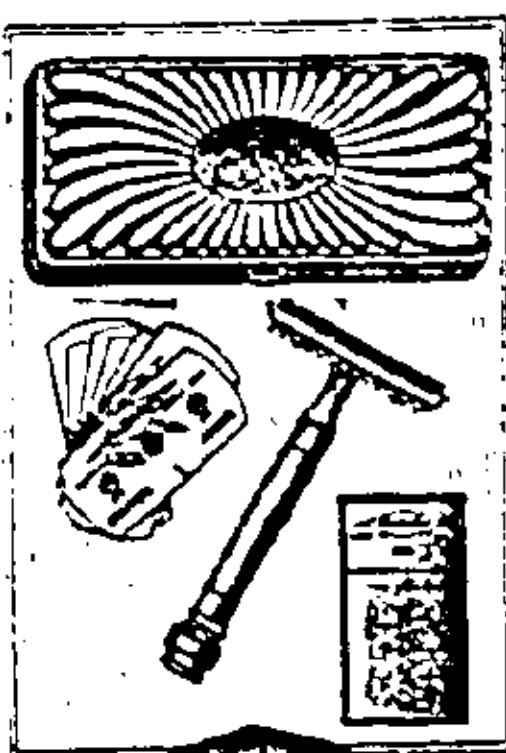
A big lot of Fancy Silk Neckties

New Patterns

Sale 75c. 85c. &amp; \$1.00 each.

Fancy Bows

Sale 35cts. each.



## Gillette.

Safety Razors

Sale \$7.00 a set.

Razor Blades

Sale \$1.50 a doz.

## HATS! HATS! HATS!

Gents' Fine Felt Hats Assorted Colors

Sale \$2.75 &amp; \$4.50 each.

## BIG BARGAINS ON GENTS' SHOES

A lot of broken sizes in men's Shoes values from \$8.50 to \$12.50 Bargain price \$4.75. Our entire stock of high grade quality Shoes for Men Women and Children marked down for a speedy clearance. Positively these shoe offerings are more than worth your time to visit this Grand Annual Sale.

## HOSIERY FOR MEN

Cotton Half Hose Sale 30c. a pair.

Wool " " " 40c. " "

SALE  
FOR  
CASH ONLY

## Extra Special Value in Gents' Flannel SHIRTS

Superior quality

SALE

\$2.50

\$2.75

&amp;

\$3.00

each.



## MEN'S PYJAMAS.

All at Bargain Prices Fine Flannel Pyjama

Usual Price 6.50

Sale Price 4.50 a suit.

Flannelette Pyjamas

Usual Price 4.00

Sale Price 2.75 a suit.

## TRUNKS & SUIT CASES.

From 10% to 15% discount.

## LADIES' WEAR DEPT.

Ladies Silk and Wool Sweater Coats

Usual Price \$8.00 Sale Price \$6.00.

10.00 " " 7.50.

PURE WOOL SWEATERS.

Usual Price \$18.00 Sale Price \$14.50

25.00 " " 18.75

## EXTRA SPECIAL ON LADIES WOOLLEN OVERCOATS.

Made of English Tweed

Usual Price \$10.00 Sale Price \$7.50

15.00 " " 9.00

## LADIES FELT HATS.

Fine quality Assort Colors.

Usual Price \$3.50 Sale Price \$2.50.

6.50 " " 4.50.

## LADIES SHOES.

Black Kid Leather

Sale Price \$2.00 &amp; \$2.50 a pair.

Felt Slippers

Sale Price \$2.50 &amp; \$2.75 a pair.

Hundreds of other Bargains on Sale in our Shoes Department.

SALE  
FOR  
CASH ONLY

## Ladies' Hosiery

Mercerized Lisle

Hose

Double Sole and Heel

Sale Price

\$6.50 a doz.

## Fine Cashmere

Hose

Sale Prices

75cts. &amp; 95cts.

a pair.



## PIECE GOODS

36 inch - Curtain Cloth Sale 30c. yd.

Flannelette " " 40c. "

All Dress goods from 10% to 30% discount.

## 900 PIECES

Remnants at Half Price.

## SAVE MONEY HERE

Children's

Hat, Shoes, Underwear, and

Blankets etc.

at Wonderful Prices.

## YEE SANG FAT CO.

Cor. Queen's Road &amp; D'Aguilar Street.

## SHIPPING.

### VESSELS ARRIVED.

Rice to the extent of 2,800 tons was consigned here by the steamer TUNG SHING. (Messrs. Jardine Matheson) from Saigon. —Mooring, C 45.

The Dollar ship GRACE DOLLAR, arrived here yesterday with mails and a cargo of rubber from San Francisco via Singapore. —Mooring, A 6.

The GLENARIFFE, consigned here 480 tons general cargo from London, etc. Agents Jardine Matheson. —Mooring, Kowloon Wharf.

The ELPENOR, (agents Messrs. B. & S.) arrived here yesterday with 1,200 tons locally-consigned cargo and 4,500 tons of general cargo for Shanghai. —Mooring, Wharf.

From Shanghai via Coast Ports, the CHENAN, arrived this morning with 963 tons of general merchandise for local consignees, and also mails. —Mooring, C 14.

From Surabaya and Sandakan the O. S. K. BATAVIA MARU, arrived with 337 tons of molasses for local consignees.

## EXCHANGE.

### SELLING.

T/T ..... 5/5  
Demand ..... 5/5 1/4  
30 d/s ..... 5/5 3/8  
60 d/s ..... 5/5 1/2  
4 m/s ..... 5/5 5/8  
T/T Shanghai ..... Nom.  
T/T Singapore ..... 232  
T/T Japan ..... 199  
T/T India ..... 232 1/4  
Demand, India ..... 232 1/2  
T/T San Francisco & New York ..... 96 1/4  
T/T Java ..... 254  
T/T Marks ..... Nom.  
T/T France ..... 1280  
Demand, Paris ..... —

### BUYING.

4 m/s. L/C ..... 5/7 1/4  
4 m/s. D/P ..... 5/7 3/8  
6 m/s. L/C ..... 5/8  
30 d/s. Sydney and Melbourne ..... 5/8 1/4  
30 d/s. San Francisco & New York ..... 98 1/4  
4 m/s. Marks ..... Nom.  
6 m/s. France ..... 1320  
6 m/s. France ..... 1332  
Demand, Germany ..... 96 5/8  
Demand, New York ..... 232 1/2  
T/T Bombay ..... 232 1/2

## NOTICE.

### REPULSE BAY HOTEL.

Saturday, 31st January, 1920.  
TEA DANCING from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.  
DINNER DANCING from 8 p.m.

On these occasions the charge for Tea will be \$1.00 per head, and for Table d'Hôte dinner at \$3.00 per head, exclusive of wines.

J. H. TAGGART,  
Manager.

### THE INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL BANK, LIMITED.

Head Office: 6 Des Voeux Road Col. Bank of China Building.

FOR THE YEAR TO COME  
Precaution is important in all things. This applies to your own finances. The best way of providing for the future, freely, by

OPENING A SAVINGS ACCOUNT WITH US.

\$1 to start.

SYSTEMATICALLY it will grow to THOUSANDS.

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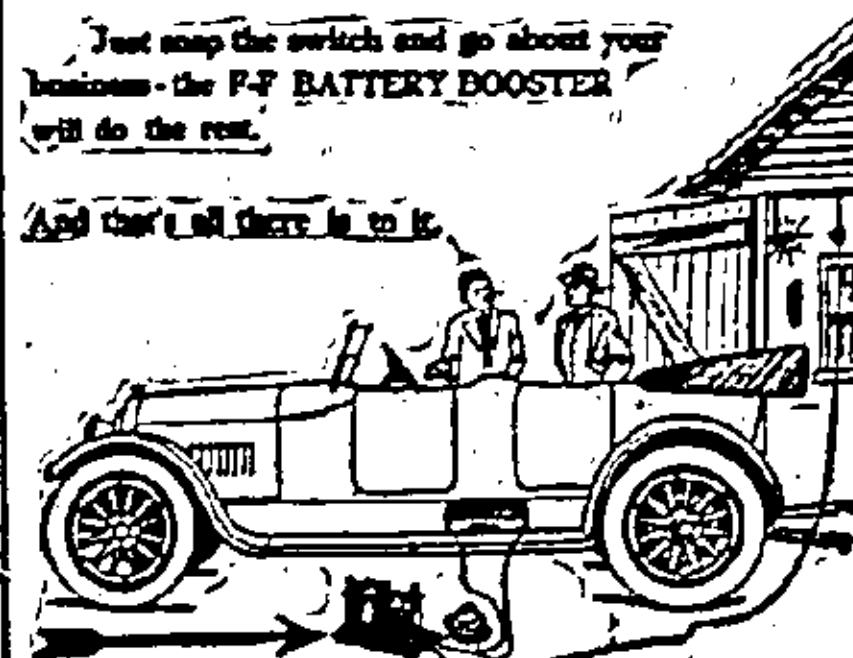
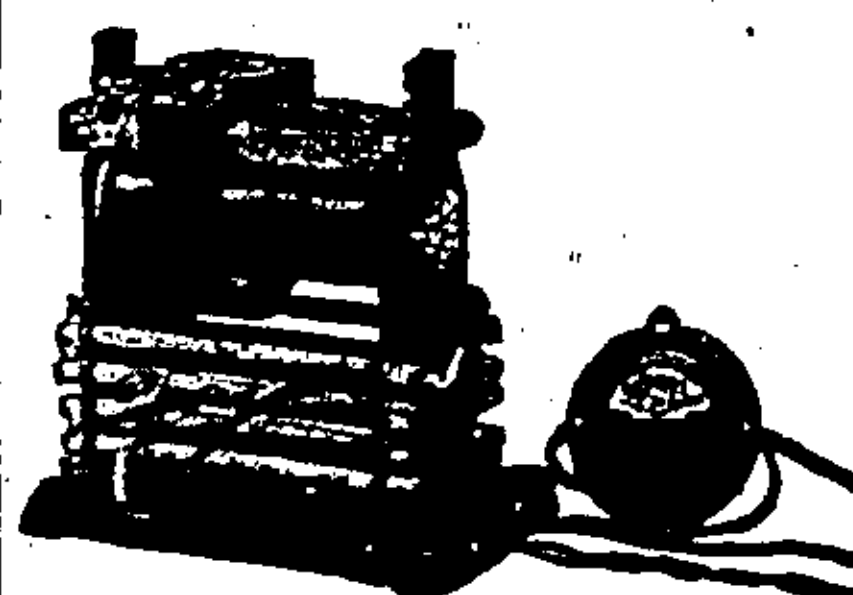
### DISCOUNT PER \$100:

H'kong, 50 cent pieces \$20 pm.  
" 10 " \$35 pm.  
" 5 " \$77 pm.  
Canton coins \$79 pm.

## RUBBER ESTATES CHANGING HANDS.

Six or seven rubber estates in and around Malacca, small properties from one to three hundred acres, have recently changed hands at very satisfactory prices, none of them at less than \$1,000 an acre, others on the roadside at \$1,200 per acre, and in one instance at \$1,350 an acre.

Put an end to your Ignition and Starting troubles by Charging your own battery.



We can supply you with the equipment that will do the Trick. Most of your Car trouble is due to the Battery. Do not Send it to the Hospital. We can supply you with Dr. Battery Booster who will keep it up to the highest efficiency.

Manufacturers representative

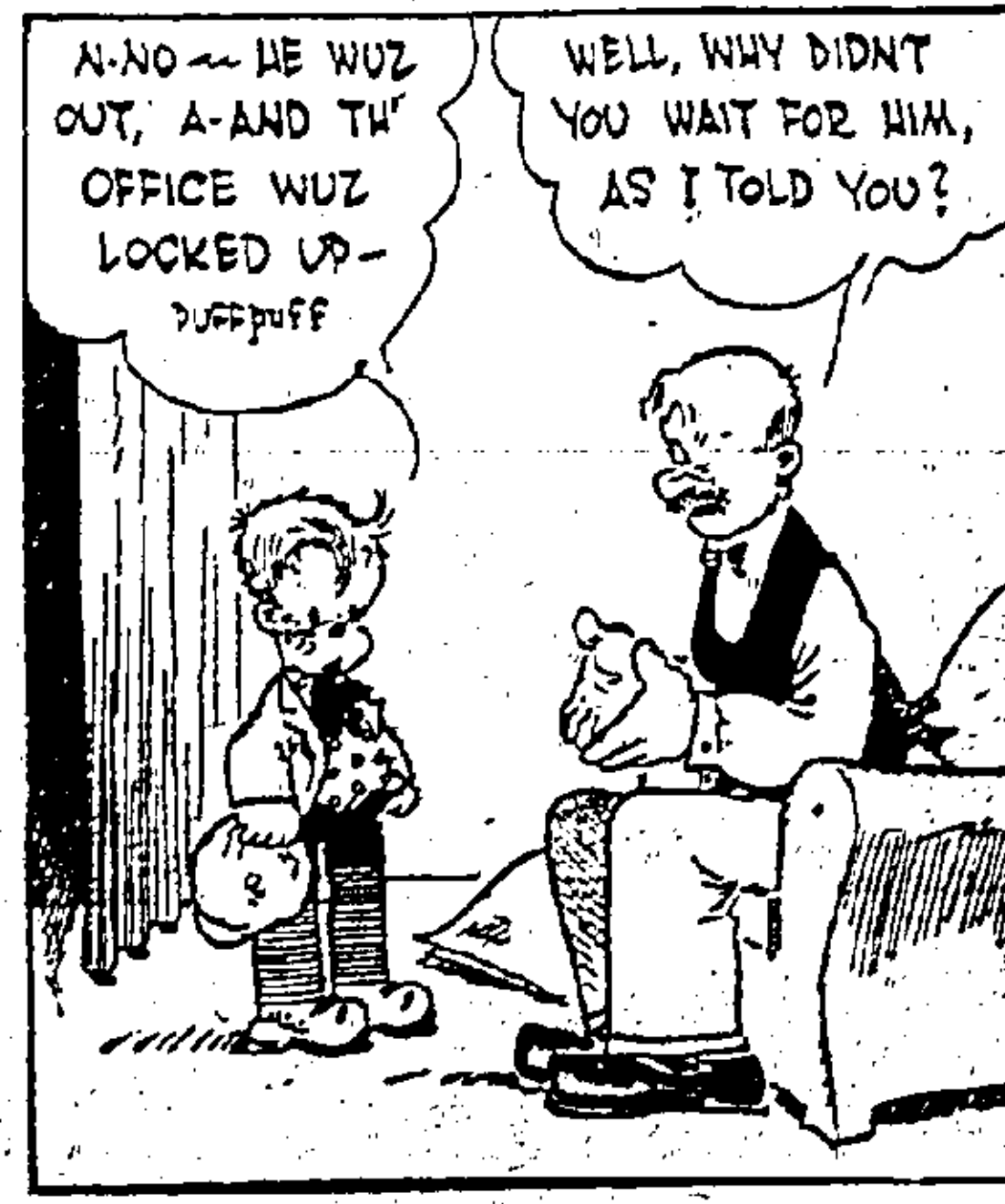
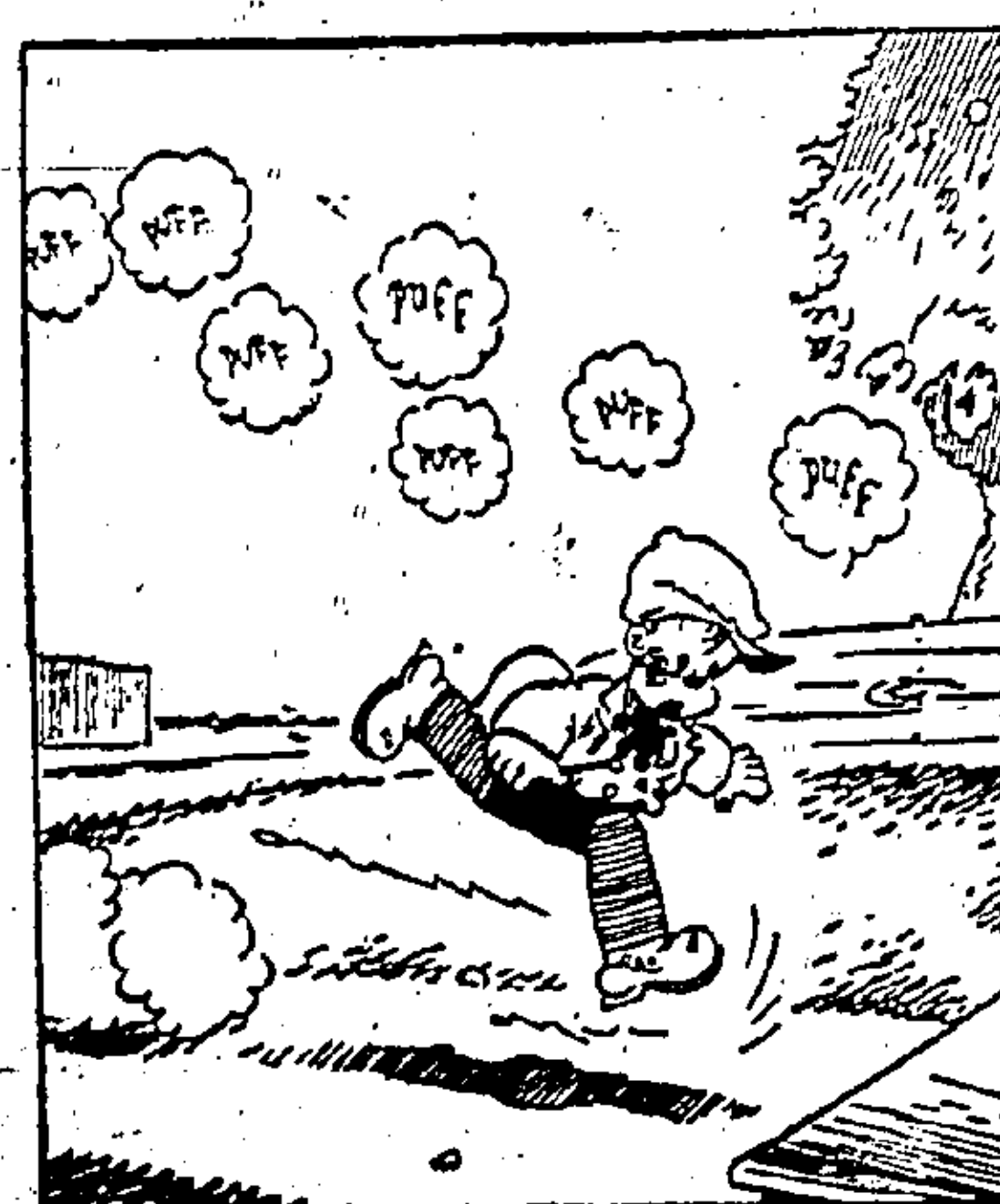
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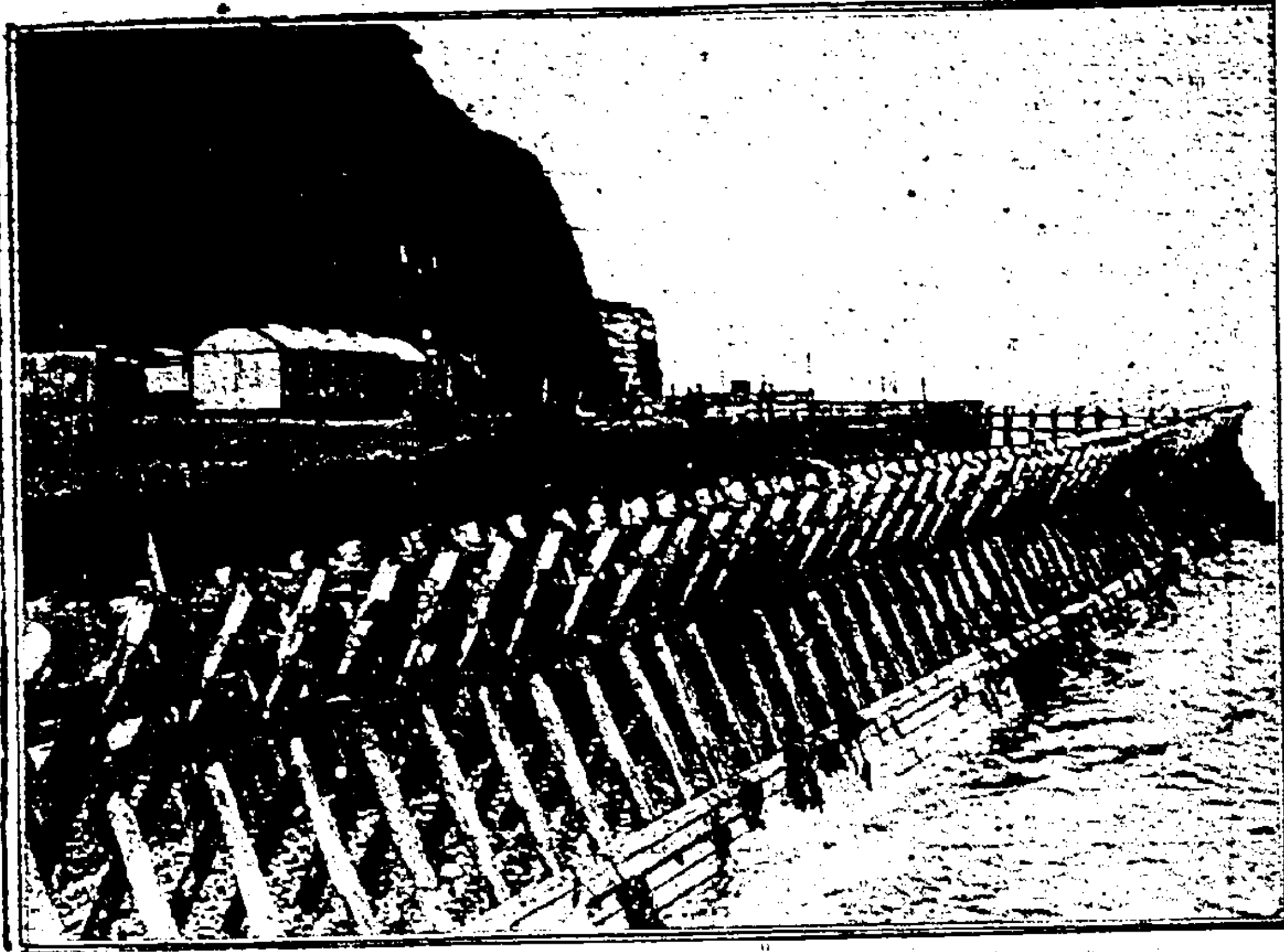
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## TO-DAY'S PICTURES.



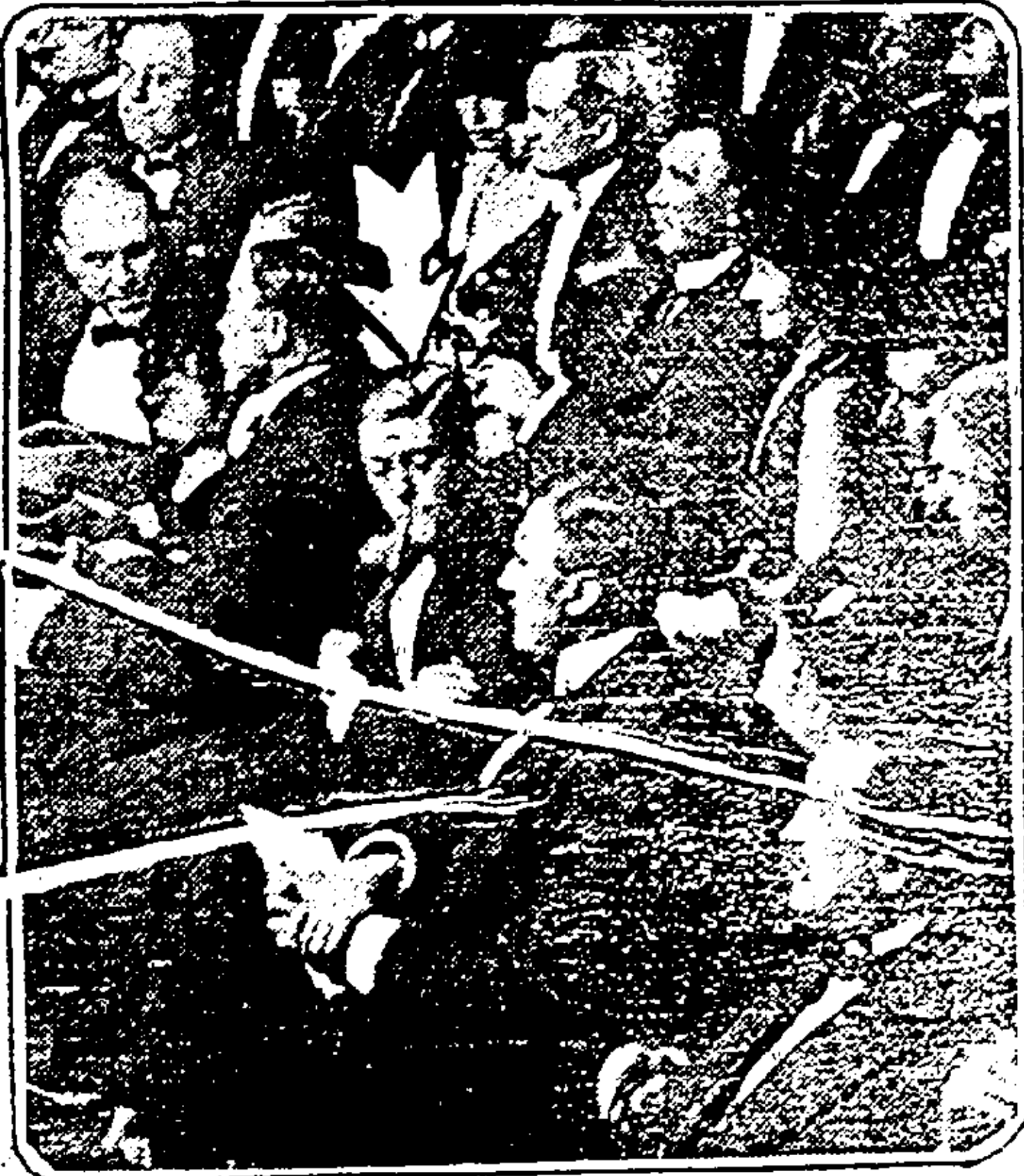
This photograph is the first ever taken on the island of Heligoland by anyone but an official German Army photographer. It is exclusive and shows the stages in the dismantling of the fortress by workmen on the orders of the terms of the Peace Treaty. The photo shows the finished structure which was to be the concrete breakwater on the east side of the island. The completed breakwater was used by the Germans as a submarine base during the war.



Photo shows the head of the great wooden statue of Von Hindenburg which was used as a means to raise funds during the war, lying in front of the Column of Victory in the Tiergarten (Zoo) in Berlin.



Sir Oliver Lodge, the famous British scientist, who is about to visit America.



The arrow indicates H.R.H. the Prince of Wales at the ringside on the occasion of the Beckett-Carpentier fight.



The Princess of Pless, who was Miss Daisy Cornwallis West, has secured a divorce since the war, and has returned to London. She is making her home with her sister, the recently divorced Duchess of Westminster. Several sons of the Princess served in the German Army during the war.



The clergy of Twickenham, England, have organised a fortnight's campaign. They are visiting the public houses in their districts so that the people who do not go to church are having religion brought to them.

## DOINGS OF THE DUFFS

## The Merry Shoppers—

BY ALLMAN.



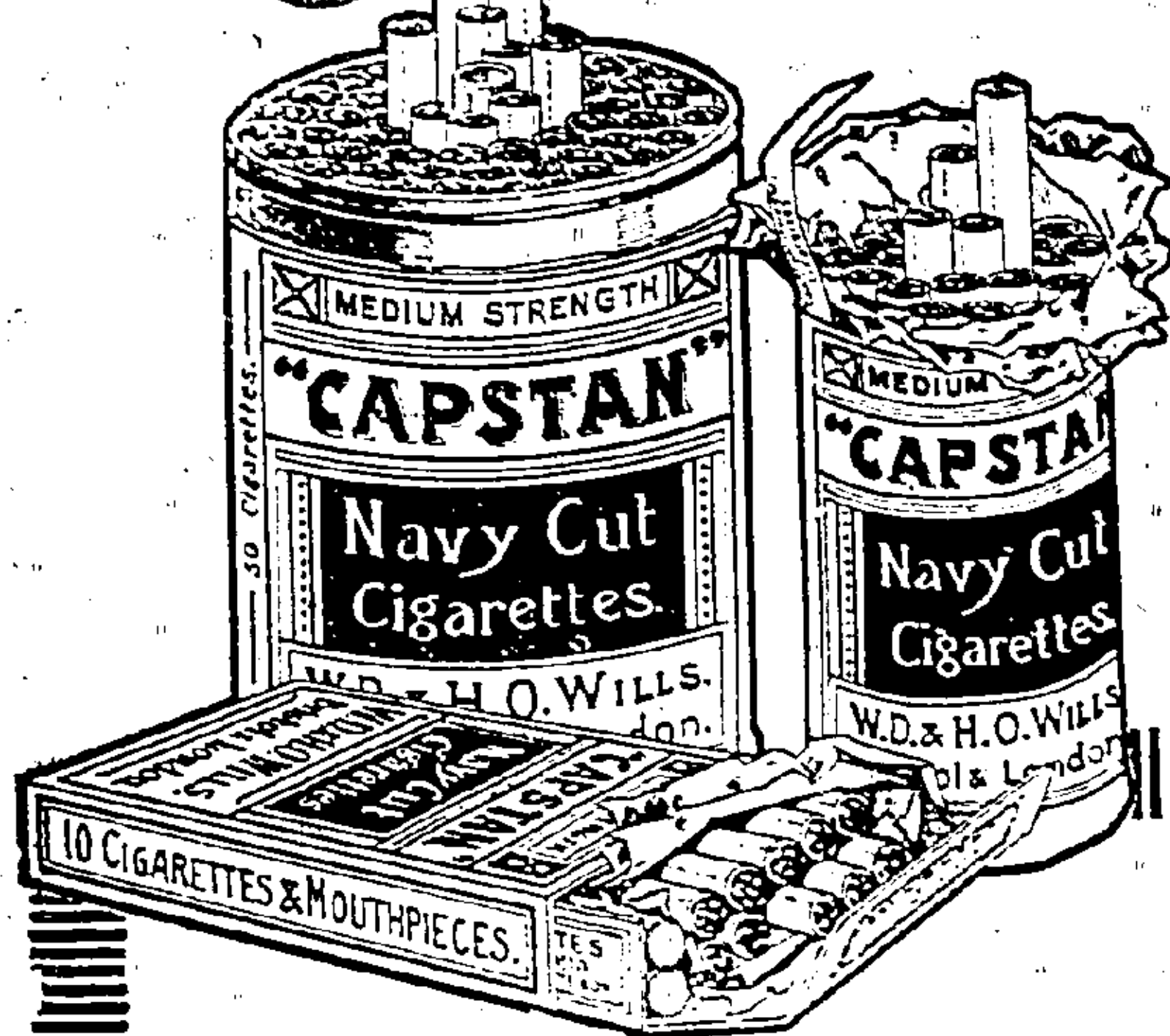






## NOTICES.

## "CAPSTAN"

Navy Cut  
Cigarettes"CAPSTAN" Tobacco  
for the Pipe

A NEW SHIPMENT HAS JUST ARRIVED.

In Packets of

10 & 20 Cigarettes and Airtight  
Tins of 50 Cigarettes.

OBTAINABLE AT ALL STORES.

Buy a **NEW** Pair of Boots  
for the Season

THE Season's Bargain

**SINCERE'S**

## CONSIGNEES.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

From NEW YORK

The Steamship  
"MUNCASTER CASTLE"

Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that all goods have been landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 4th prox will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Under-signed on or before the 20th prox or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 3rd prox at 10 a.m. by Goddard & Douglas.

No fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

GODDARD & CO., LTD.  
Agents.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

## PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO., LTD.

S. S. "COLOMBIA"  
From SAN FRANCISCO via  
HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS,  
SHANGHAI & MANILA.

The above mentioned vessel having arrived from the above mentioned Ports, consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their cargo will be landed at their risk into the Pacific Mail Steamship Company's godowns at West Point, and stored at Consignees' risk.

Consignees of cargo are hereby notified that they must produce an Import Permit signed by the Superintendent of the Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before bills of lading can be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on January 29th at 10 a.m., and January 30th at 10 a.m.

All claims must be presented within a week of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized.

No claim will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after January 31st, will be subject to rent.

No fire Insurance whatever will be effected. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately.

PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO.  
Hotel Mansions.  
Hongkong, 24th January, 1920.STRUTHERS & DIXON INC.  
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.  
FROM SAN FRANCISCO  
THE Steamship

"WEST CAJOOT"  
having arrived, from San Francisco via ports, on Jan. 26th 1920, consignees are hereby notified that their cargo is being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, and stored at consignees' risk.

Consignees of cargo must produce an Import Permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports & Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading will be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged cargo is to be left in the Godowns where it will be examined at 10 a.m. on February 2nd, 1920, by the Company's surveyors, Messrs. Carmichael & Clarke.

All claims must be presented within thirty days of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized. No claims will be recognized after the goods have left the Godowns, and cargo undelivered on and after Feb. 1st, 1920, will be subject to rent.

No fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately.

STRUTHERS & DIXON, INC.  
Agents.  
1st floor, Powell's Building,  
12, Des Voeux Road, Ck.,  
Hongkong, 26th January, 1920.TO-DAY'S SHARE  
QUOTATIONS.

## OFFICIAL PRICES

Banks.  
H.K. & S. Banks s. \$530  
Marine Insurances.Cantons b. 390  
North Chinas n. t. 160  
Unions s. 180  
Yangtzes n. 260  
Far Easterns n. t. 22Fire Insurances.  
China Fires n. 138  
H.K. Fires s. 310Shipping.  
Douglases s. 89  
Steamboats b. 201 1/2 s. 22  
Indos (Pref.) n. 30  
Indos (Def.) n. 210  
Shells s. 255  
Ferries s. 29Refineries.  
Sugars n. 200  
Malabons n. 47Mining.  
Kailans n. 145/-  
Langkats b. t. 14  
Shanghai Loans b. t. 14  
Shai Explorations s. 2  
Raubs n. 42/6  
Tronchs b. 30/-  
Ural Caspians b. 30/-Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.  
H.K. Wharves s. 39  
K. Docks s. 160  
Shai Docks n. t. 110  
N. Engineerings b. t. 263 1/2Lands, Hotels & Buildings.  
Centrals s. 109  
H.K. Hotels b. 112  
L. Invest n. ex div. 109 1/2  
H. Phreys Est. n. 7 1/2  
K. Loan Lands n. 53  
L. Reclamations n. ex div. 133  
West Points n. 58Cotton Mills.  
Ewoe b. t. 465  
Kung Yiks b. t. 45  
Lau Kung Mows n. t. 300  
Orientals n. t. 290  
Shai Cottons b. t. 320  
Yangtzeapoos b. t. 34Miscellaneous.  
Cements s. 6.80  
China Borneos b. 17  
Do. Light old b. 7 new 5  
China Providents b. 7.70  
Dairy Farms n. 22  
Electrics H. K. n. 87  
Electrics Macao n. 34  
Hongkong Ropes s. 27  
Hk. Tramways s. 7 1/2  
Peak Trams, old s. 7  
Do. - new n. 80 cts.Steam Laundries b. 3 1/2  
Steel Foundries n. 10  
Water-boats b. 11 1/2  
Watsons b. 5 1/2  
Wm. Powells b. 12  
Wisemans b. 27 1/2

Hongkong, Jan. 30, 1920.

## WEATHER REPORT.

January 30d. 11h. 21m.—No returns from Vladivostok, or Japanese stations. Pressure has decreased considerably at Shanghai and moderately at Weihaiwei and Tientsin. Changes at other reporting stations small.

The depression over the lower Yangtze Valley has filled up. Another has formed over S. W. China and Annam.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. January 1st, 0.09 inches. Total since January 1st, 0.09 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District. S.E. winds moderate; cloudy, some drizzling rain or mist.

1 Hongkong to Gap Road, The same as No. 1.

2 Formosa Channel, The same as No. 1.

3 South coast of China, The same as No. 1.

4 South coast of China, The same as No. 1.

5 Between H.K. and Hainan, The same as No. 1.

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.  
Hongkong Observatory, Jan. 30, 1920.

## NOTICE.

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